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## 1. Introduction

This Survey Report publishes the results of the United States Consumer Law Attorney Fee Survey for 2017-2018. This Survey Report continues to be the only national survey of Consumer Law practitioners in the United States and is the only Consumer Law survey whose methodologies have been independently peer reviewed and is supported by the National Association of Legal Fee Analysis, a non-profit professional national association of attorney fee experts in the field of legal fee analysis.

The Survey is based on data provided by private practitioners and also data culled from all court cases reporting attorney fee decisions in the field of Consumer Law in Lexis and Westlaw and unreported state court decisions during 2017 and 2018. These Consumer Law Survey Reports have been used in more than 40 jurisdictions, including state and federal courts, the U.S. Court of Federal Claims, the U.S. Department of Justice, the U.S. Department of Labor, and the American Arbitration Association to determine reasonable attorney fee rates.

Attorneys in every state and the U.S. Territories took part in the national survey and the results this year continue the trend of being the most comprehensive since our continuous research work began in 1999.

The survey participant data is based on a survey employing an online, email, and telephone survey of attorneys representing about 4,500 members of the National Association of Consumer Advocates and the National Association of Consumer Bankruptcy Attorneys and other known attorneys practicing in the field of Consumer Law as identified through Avvo.com, Lawyers.com, and court filings and fee decisions around the country. There were 1,592 participating attorneys in this survey with data reported for 2,078 paralegals, establishing a robust 35.37% participation rate. A recent internet search for similar state bar association surveys located 7 recent surveys with an average participation rate of 11.8%.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> A March 2019 Google search of the term “Economics of Law Practice Survey,” a common title for many bar association surveys, resulted in survey reports with participation rates that could be compared to state attorney totals as follows: Colorado (6.7%), Florida (of over 100,000 members, 3,284 were polled and 682 responses received; 20.7% of those polled, less than 1% of total membership), Kansas (9.3%), Michigan (30.3%: 20.9% of private practitioners and 9.4% of non-private practitioners), New Mexico (10.8%), Wisconsin (13.5%).

## Methods to Update Survey Results from 2017-2018 to Current Date

Because the survey was conducted in 2017 and 2018, the hourly rates and other data reported represent 2017 and 2018 values. The reader may find some minor adjustment necessary or desirable for application outside of 2017 and 2018. Courts<sup>2</sup> have at times used percentage increases derived from the U.S. Census Consumer Price Index<sup>3</sup> to adjust rates to updated levels.

## Goals of Survey Report

The primary goals of this research project have been and continue to be to:

- provide timely, relevant and accurate data benchmarks and information to inform and guide practical, management, and planning decisions by Consumer Law attorneys and firms, including private practitioners, non-private practitioners, the judiciary and government workers
- better understand the demographics of Consumer Law attorneys and their practice
- monitor and document general and key trends in the Consumer Law field of the legal profession, based on previous and present survey research and analysis
- understand how attorney compensation (e.g., hourly rate) is impacted by common variable factors (e.g., years in practice, niche area of practice, experience level, geographic location, and more)
- collect thorough and accurate information on the economic realities associated with the career field of Consumer Law to share with the bar and bench
- create a point of reference for future economic surveys of Consumer Law practitioners

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<sup>2</sup> *Barnard v. Berryhill*, 2019 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 38671 (D.C. N.D. E. D. Ohio, Mar. 11, 2019); *United States Postal Serv. Fed. Credit Union v. Edwin*, 2018 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 31532, 2018 WL 1077291 (D. Virgin Islands, St. Croix Div., Feb. 27, 2018).

<sup>3</sup> See CPI Inflation Calculator, available at [https://www.bls.gov/data/inflation\\_calculator.htm](https://www.bls.gov/data/inflation_calculator.htm) (Last visited Oct. 1, 2019).

### What's New

A number of beneficial changes in format and content are introduced with this edition of the Survey Report. This section provides a central point where changes that appear in this new edition of the Survey Report are highlighted, explained and contrasted with the previous edition.

Foremost is the addition of survey data derived from hundreds of attorney fee decisions in and related to the field of Consumer Law which were issued by state and federal courts and administrative agencies in the United States and its Territories during 2017 and 2018. Sources for these fee decisions included Lexis, Westlaw, unreported case decisions, and private attorneys across the United States and its Territories. In each such fee decision, the court-awarded hourly rates were matched with the Court's geographical jurisdiction, each identified participating attorney's years in practice and firm size, their primary field of practice, the relevant Consumer Law niche area involved in the case, their law firm size, and other required survey data. Where the necessary survey data was not present in the court decision itself, internet research was undertaken to gather the missing relevant survey data points. In those few cases where necessary survey data points were still absent, individual attorneys were contacted to obtain the data points.

Thus, this edition of the Survey Report provides data that is based on reported data from participants and also actual fee decisions made by courts and agencies in the United States during 2017 and 2018. Such decision-based data was included in this Survey Report without regard to whether or not the decision forum relied on prior editions of this Survey Reports, e.g., all Consumer Law fee decisions in 2017 and 2018 were included in the resulting survey data upon which this Survey Report is based. The addition of these datapoints to the survey data allows the resulting Survey Report to achieve the highest level of accuracy in its results.

In the interests of transparency, a new table has been included at the beginning of the State and Metropolitan Area Tables, displaying the quantity of billable attorney and paralegal/legal assistant participation data counts for each section.

Another major change was the substantial increase in the quantity of metropolitan areas that are now individually reported in the Survey Report. The Survey Report now provides a data breakdown on 157 major metropolitan areas in the United

States, geographically covering 66.5% of the entire U.S. population.

The explanation of survey techniques, previously Section 5 of earlier Survey Reports, is now more centrally located in this Section 1, the Introduction.

The Summary Profile of the Typical U.S. Consumer Law Attorney, section 2, has been expanded to include comparison data fields contrasting current data results with results from the last Survey Report, for easy comparison of broad historical data points.

This Survey Report continues coverage of every state, the District of Columbia and the two most heavily populated U.S. Territories, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands. With the increased inclusion of a larger quantity of greater metropolitan areas, the Survey Report now includes coverage of one or more greater metropolitan areas in every state. Data for every non-metropolitan area in the United States is still reported.

Since this survey began in 1999, greater localized data reporting has continued to be preferred by the Bench and Bar. To better serve the continued sharpening of this shift in focus, the Survey Report has evolved over time from its original twelve multi-state regions to individualized and localized data reporting for rural and urban areas. This change continues our effort to provide the reader with a quick and easy analysis of relevant data on an ever increasing and higher level of locality. It is expected that the resulting analyses will be of greater use to the reader, the profession, the Bench, and Bar.

Consumer Law is recognized as a specialized field of law by courts<sup>4</sup> as well as universities, law schools and the profession itself. As the field has continued to mature, niche specialty areas developed within the broader field of Consumer Law and have been recognized as such by the Courts. Subtle differences in practices and hourly rates can be found when these niche areas are examined that can provide a better understanding of these niche practices to practitioners and courts. Such data continues to be reported herein.

Specific factors are recognized to commonly have a larger impact on an hourly rate than other, less common factors. These factors can vary the hourly rate by their

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<sup>4</sup> As said by the Ohio 9<sup>th</sup> District Court of Appeals, “[c]onsumer law is a specialty area that is not common among many legal practitioners.” *Crow v. Fred Martin Motor Co.*, 2003-Ohio-1293 (Summit, App. No. 21128).

application and continue to be called Variables in this Survey Report. Thus what might be termed as Years in Practice, in prior editions of this survey and elsewhere, is now termed more accurately as an Experience Variable. The experience level of an advocate is a primary variable in determining a reasonable hourly rate.

To more clearly identify the meaning of “Firm Size” in the Survey Report tables, the title has been changed to “Average Number of Attorneys in Firm.”

To better understand the “years in practice” variable and its localized impact on a professional’s hourly rate in larger greater metropolitan areas, a selected group of data-rich greater metropolitan areas in this Survey Report are now followed by an Experience Variable table that shows changing hourly rates over a practitioner’s career. These Experience Variable tables take the years in practice of legal practitioners and breaks it down into brackets, generally in five year increments and capped by the elder bracket of 41+ years in practice. The average attorney hourly rate for each bracket is then provided.

Previously the ten states with the largest survey participation provided detailed data that allowed those state Survey Reports to include additional data tables, including a Specialty Variable table, Small Firm Size Variable table, and Large Firm Size Variable table. The substantial increase in survey participation and the addition of datapoints from court fee award data has allowed detailed, in-depth analysis to now be reported on 16 states, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Massachusetts, Michigan, Missouri, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Texas, Washington.

The Specialty Variable table focuses on the percentage of practice time that is consumed by the practitioner on Consumer Law matters in brackets of ten percentage points from 50% to 100%. The average attorney hourly rate for each bracket is then provided.

The Small Firm Size Variable table and the Large Firm Size Variable table each take the Experience Variable tables and separate them by law firm size, as measured by the average number of attorneys in the firm, and then report the average attorney hourly rates for each years in practice bracket therein. This allows further contrast of data between large and small firm members by their levels of experience.

The Table of Authorities has been expanded with additional case citations that provides a convenient alphabetical listing of cases and authorities cited in this Survey

Report, updated to September 10, 2019.

### Survey Report Sections Explained

After this introductory section, the results of this Survey Report are reported first from a national viewpoint and then in two major localized data sections. At the beginning of each Section is an explanatory table of the Section's structure and content.

Section 2 of this Survey Report contains the Summary Profile of the Typical U.S. Consumer Law Attorney, a collective approach to the entire survey results which yields a general picture of key aspects of the typical U.S. Consumer Law practitioner in the United States and its territories. It is based on the survey results as a whole and may serve as a benchmark for both larger and local comparisons by the reader.

Section 3 begins the State Summary Tables analyses for each state in the United States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands and includes a table of the Median Rate for the niche Practice Areas, reporting the 25% Median, the Median, and the 95% Median hourly rate brackets. This section provides the Survey's analytical approach to each state or area's survey results, which yields a more detailed summary picture of key aspects of the typical U.S. Consumer Law practitioner in each survey state or area.

Section 4 contains data for the greater metropolitan area tables for 157 greater metropolitan areas (GMA) in the United States. These GMA selections are based chiefly on the basis of their larger population count. For each GMA, this section contains a similar averages and median summary table as was included in Section 3 and also adds a Median Rate table for the niche Practice Areas and an Experience Variable Table (i.e., years in practice) to each greater metropolitan area analysis. This approach allows for a highly localized data reporting. Although the greater metropolitan area Median Rate for the niche Practice Areas tables only lists the Median point and not the 25% and 95% Median points that are listed in the state Median Rate for Practice Areas tables, there is a simple and statistically reliable way to calculate those greater metropolitan points if the reader desires to do so in a specific situation.

Since the Median Rate for Practice Areas provided in Section 3 give the 25% and 95% Median points and the table in Section 4 does not do so, the greater metropolitan area 25% and 95% points can be calculated based on the percentage difference away

from the Median point. For example, in the state Median Rate for Practice Areas table for Alabama, the Credit Rights fields for 25%, Median, and 95% list hourly rates of \$263, \$350, and \$625 respectively. In the Birmingham, Alabama greater metropolitan Mediate Rate for Practice Areas table, the Credit Rights field only lists the Median at an hourly rate of \$350. Referring to the greater metropolitan table field for Credit Rights shows the Median hourly rate to be \$350. The state table field for the Median is \$350. The greater metropolitan table field is 100% of the state table field number. Applying that percentage to the 25% and the 95% Median points will result in a close approximation of the Birmingham 25% and 95% Median points, e.g. \$263 and \$625 respectively.

Section 5 provides a brief discussion of cases employing the use of prior editions of this Survey Report along with a listing of citations to cases which have used or cited the Survey Report since its inception, both pro and con. Specific hourly rates in fee award decisions are included in recent cases, where available. Also included is a list of all known cases giving negative treatment of prior editions of the Survey Report with an editor's remark as to each that provides a better understanding of the difference between the prior edition of the Survey Report under consideration in that specific case and noting differences in the more recent and current Survey Report. It should be noted that the methodologies of these Survey Reports has evolved during the last twenty years to address any perceived deficiencies noted by the Bench and Bar and commentators.

Section 6 discusses various cases that have dealt with the actual use of survey data in court proceedings such as fee hearings, with citations.

Section 7 provides biographical information about the Survey Report Editor.

Section 8 provides contact information for the reader's recommendations for future survey data gathering or other suggestion.

The Appendices contain supporting material to enable the reader to better understand the survey and this Survey Report, including the actual survey questions and possible answers for each, a peer review statement, and more.

To easily locate any specific case cited in this Survey Report, consult the Table of Authorities in Appendix 4.

### Niche Areas in the Field of Consumer Law Defined

Consumer Law is recognized as a specialized area of law dealing with issues arising from transactions involving one or more persons acting as individuals or as a family. As a field of law, however, Consumer Law can be further reduced to finite and separate niche areas, typically rooted in the protection afforded by different types of consumer rights that are most often based on specific state and federal statutes. These include, for example, the United States Bankruptcy Code, the Fair Credit Reporting Act, the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, the Equal Credit Opportunity Act, the Truth in Lending Act, the Uniform Consumer Sales Practices Act (in the form of its state adaptations that are commonly called Unfair and Deceptive Acts and Practices, i.e., UDAP laws, Landlord-Tenant Statutes, the Mortgage Action and Forebearance Act, Credit Discrimination, the Magnuson Moss Warranty Act, state Lemon and Warranty laws, State and Federal Odometer Tampering laws, laws dealing with telemarketing, “junk” faxes, prepaid entertainment programs, and more. These numerous statutes can be grouped by the type of rights they each seek to preserve and protect for the purpose of this survey, because of the similarities involved in asserting such rights.

While Consumer Law is a field of law, for a closer analysis of the niche areas within Consumer Law, the following categorization has been made for purposes of this Survey Report and the Median Rate for Practice Areas tables:

1. Consumer Bankruptcy
2. Consumer Protection Class Action (based upon one of the other niche areas)
3. Credit Rights (FCRA, FDCPA, ECOA, TILA, Credit Discrimination, Credit Reporting, Debt Defense, etc)
4. Mortgage (Foreclosure Defense, RESPA, HOLA, Housing Rights, Landlord-Tenant, other real estate rights enforcement laws, etc.)
5. Vehicle Litigation (Autofraud, Lemon Law, Warranty Law, Vehicle-related UDAP claims, Repossession Law, etc.)
6. TCPA (the Telephone Consumer Protection Act)
7. Other (Common Law Fraud, unfair and deceptive acts, etc.)

### Geographic Areas Defined

Survey participant data and Consumer Law case decisions on attorney fees has

been analyzed and compiled for this Survey Report for all 50 states and the geographic areas of the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands and 157 greater metropolitan areas.

This national Survey Report also takes a localized view of the survey data by its inclusion of specific survey questions that differentiate population size and geographic areas of practice, which allows for data analysis of one or more greater metropolitan areas in every state. This enables a more detailed, specific and slightly different analysis of the survey data for the reader's review, application and analysis.

Generally, a greater metropolitan statistical area contains a core urban area of 50,000 or more population and includes the adjacent counties or municipalities that have a high degree of social and economic integration, as measured by commuting to work, with the urban core. However, a greater metropolitan area in this Survey Report is not defined the same as in the U.S. Census. The key difference is that in the Census definition of a metropolitan statistical area (MSA), the MSA may cross state or other governmental borders. In this Survey Report, data responses were confined to state or territorial political boundaries. For example, in this Survey Report the Chicago greater metropolitan area does not include the northwest Indiana area where Gary, Hammond and other Indiana cities are located which are socio-economically connected to Chicago, Illinois.

To provide even more detailed data, this survey obtained from each survey participant and case decision the specific niche area(s) of Consumer Law in which the participant or case attorney practiced. Thus, the differences in practicing in one niche area of Consumer Law can be compared with any of the other niche areas.

The responsive data enables an even more narrow and localized analysis to be generated and which provides median-based hourly rate numbers for these niche areas of Consumer Law within the wider field of Consumer Law itself, with a greater focus on geographic locality.

### The Average and the Median: What it Means to You

To assure an adequate understanding, interpretation and application of the data in this Survey Report, a brief explanation of common data terminology in this Survey Report may be useful.

The tables in this Survey Report use some terms whose meaning, while understood by statisticians, may not be clear to all readers. This Survey Report presents the compiled data in measures of central tendency (mean and median) and dispersion or spread (percentiles). These data points can also be combined to more precisely derive results that may be applicable in circumstances requiring more specific calculations because of the characteristics of a given situation where data is sought by the reader.

The mean (sometimes called the arithmetic average) is calculated by adding the values of all responses, then dividing by the number of responses.

For example, five responses are reported, 3, 4, 6, 8 and 12. The average is calculated by adding their values ( $3 + 4 + 6 + 8 + 12 = 33$ ), then dividing by the number of responses (5). Thus, the average is  $33 / 5 = 6.6$ .

The median has a different meaning. It is the middle value of a series of values, which is initially rank-ordered from low to high. By definition, half the numbers are greater and half are less than the median. Both mean and median values are used throughout this Survey Report to denote the measure of central tendency, e.g., as a pointer for the central area of survey results without regard to the average.

Statisticians variously agree that using the median as a statistic reduces the effect of extreme outlier numbers (extremely high or low values, such as 12 in the above example) while the average does not do so because it takes all numbers into account.

As an example of how using a median affects the above numbers, the same five responses are reported, 3, 4, 6, 8 and 12. The median is the middle number of the order of distribution, 6. Note, however, that the average of this same distribution of numbers is 6.6. Depending on the set of numbers under analysis, the mean (i.e., the average) may be incrementally higher or lower than the actual median of that set of numbers.

The median literally is the value in the middle. It represents the mid way point in a sequence of numbers. It is determined by lining up the values in the set of data (for example, in this fee survey that would be all of the individual fee rate responses logged in the survey) from the smallest to the largest. The one in the dead-center position is the median number.

The median is not the average of the numbers because you don't add anything in the list, but you merely determine the center of the list. Some statisticians say that using

the mean (instead of the average) gives less weight to the individual numbers that are on the outer limits of the survey responses and thus it is more likely to direct the survey to the real center of the responses.

The median result of a set of numbers may be higher or lower than the average of that same set of numbers. Because the median number is commonly not the same as the average number, being either slightly above or below it, we are including both the average and the median results for key data points in the survey.

The dispersion of data around the median, which is at the 50<sup>th</sup> percentile point, is reported in three increments in several places throughout the Survey Report:

- ◆ 25<sup>th</sup> percentile (what statisticians call the lower quartile); one-fourth of the number values are less and three-fourth of the values are more than this value
- ◆ 75<sup>th</sup> percentile (the upper quartile); three-fourths of the number values are less and one-fourth are more than this value
- ◆ 95<sup>th</sup> percentile; ninety-five percent of the number values are less and only five percent are more than this value.

#### Interpreting the Findings: Primary and Minor Variable Factors

An hourly attorney fee rate may commonly be impacted by a combination of several factors each applied when applicable and potentially varying degrees. The four primary factors are years in practice, firm size, practice location, and degree of practice concentration. These four variables are widely known to have a significant impact on an hourly rate and in this survey are identified as the primary variables. This Survey Report provides data on all these variable factors.

Another often widely variable factor that is sometimes considered in determining a reasonable hourly rate is reputation, although it is highly individualistic. Characteristics that may contribute to the individual attorney's reputation would include trial experience, continuing legal education presentations in or related to an attorney's primary practice field, related articles and book publications, and publicly available professional rating services such as Martindale-Hubbell and Avvo. Individual

analysis of these characteristics can be undertaken where and when and to the degree deemed appropriate.

Depending on the specific situation, there are other variable factors that historically are often of less impact than the primary variables, such as advertising, personal client relationships, and other more remote factors. These minor variables may apply in often unique instances but almost always to a lesser variable degree than the primary variables. Most often these minor variables are highly individualistic to the practitioner at hand and can be examined where and when and to the degree deemed appropriate.

Thus, the information presented here on the factors that are primary variables will be indicative of a particular attorney's reasonable hourly rate but there may be times when a further, more detailed analysis of minor variable factors may be useful to further refine and modify the result of the primary variable factors to a specific situation. Such a detailed analysis requires an individualistic inquiry and even then the potential impact of such these additional variables may be limited and doubtful.

A Summary Profile of the Typical U.S. Consumer Law Attorney is presented at the outset of this Survey Report in Section 2, in order to provide a summary profile of the average U.S. Consumer Law attorney and their practice. It may be viewed as the average of all survey responses nationwide. Charts appear here which are employed in the state and greater metropolitan sections, enabling a local versus national comparison of data.

The Experience Variable Tables present an analysis of the impact that the years of experience in practice has on hourly rates. Each greater metropolitan area has its own table of survey results with the levels of experience, e.g., years in practice, being divided into 11 time frames with less than one year and more than 41 years bracketing the outer limits at each end.

One might think that longevity of practice would dictate an increasingly higher hourly rate and these tables report survey results that test that assumption and, in some cases, variations are observed. For instance, since the beginning of this survey work twenty years ago, a bell shaped curve and other seemingly odd variations have historically been observed among senior levels of years in practice. Economic and social trends outside of this survey may further test the assumption of a relationship between increasing years in practice and an increasing hourly rate, but these are not considered

in this survey.

The State and Metropolitan Summary Tables in Sections 3 and 4 are presented to give an overview of the practice of Consumer Law lawyers for each listed state, area or greater metropolitan area. Note the use of both average and median results in these sections, with the median used to reduce the effect of extremely high or low values in some data. These tables also show the difference in survey results when comparing the average hourly rates and the median hourly rates, a factor considered by some statisticians to arrive at what they may consider to be more neutral or accurate survey results.

### Survey Techniques Explained

Surveys are widely considered to be important tools in any evaluation process. There are fundamentally two types of surveys: open ended questioning and closed ended questioning.

Open ended questions allow the responder to respond in any manner at all with no definite or limited answer. Close ended questions provide a limited number of possible answers from which a response can be chosen by the responder. Because open ended questions allow for an unlimited response, they can lead to a subjective analysis and the results are almost always more difficult to interpret and quantify for analysis.

Close ended questions, however, lend their responses to an easy and objective statistical analysis. This survey employed only close ended questions.

There are five types of close ended questions.

A Likert-scale question allows for responses on a scale and allows a responder to state their feelings about an issue, such as strongly agree to strongly disagree. Multiple choice questions allow the responder to select from a finite number of responses. Ordinal questions ask the responder to rate things in relation to each other, such as selecting the most important to the least important responses about an issue. Categorical questions first place the responder in a category and then poses questions based on those categories, such as preceding questions with the initial inquiry of whether the responder is male or female. Numerical questions are used when the answer must be a real number.

Different types of questions are used in survey work so that different types of result analyses may be conducted, but the most common survey techniques are the numerical and the multiple choice question because of the ease with which conclusions may be derived from the raw data.

In general, this survey used numerical and multiple choice questions. This allows for precise responses that can readily be cataloged and statistically interpreted. Categorical questions also exist within the survey that allowed for more information to be obtained from practitioners of consumer bankruptcy law, while allowing non-consumer bankruptcy practitioners to skip that focused section of the survey.

### Survey Design Methodology

In addition to considering the types of questions to be employed in a survey, the very design of the survey itself should be considered. This requires considering the placement, wording, sequencing, and other factors that can influence accurate data gathering.

In designing the United States Consumer Law Attorney Fee Survey, the author considered all procedure, question and design factors enumerated and discussed in three primary sources: *Evaluating Survey Questions: An Inventory of Methods* prepared by the Subcommittee on Questionnaire Evaluation Methods of the Statistical and Science Policy Office in the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (January 2016), and *Evaluating Survey Questions* by Doctor Chase H. Harrison of Harvard University's Program on Survey Research, and *Methods for Testing and Evaluating Survey Questions* by Stanley Presser et al, as published in Public Opinion Quarterly Vol. 68, Issue 1 (March 2004).

### Data Gathering Methodology

Understanding the data gathering methodology for this survey may assist the reader to understand, interpret, and apply the results published in this Survey Report.

This Survey Report is based on the results from two primary sources of data: the survey that was fielded to advocates operating in the field of Consumer Law during 2017 and 2018 and a continual survey of all available court and administrative decisions on

attorney fees in consumer civil and administrative litigation during 2017 and 2018. It is expected that this blend of data practitioner reported rates and court actual rate decisions will achieve a high level of accuracy.

In each case, the answers to a select number of key data questions was obtained. In addition, specific consumer bankruptcy practice questions were added to provide a more detailed analysis of that niche area, because of unique aspects and issues in Bankruptcy Law. The analysis of that data appears in a separate Survey Report.

The fielded survey was administered via email, ordinary mail, facsimile and telephonic data gathering and invitations to an internet-based online questionnaire. The survey was closed when data compilation began in early 2019.

In compiling this Survey Report, a valuable contribution was made by members of the National Association of Consumer Advocates and the National Association of Consumer Bankruptcy Attorneys, and Consumer Law attorneys independently determined to exist across the United States and its territories, who were invited to participate during 2017 and 2018.

The entire active membership of the National Association of Consumer Advocates and the National Association of Consumer Bankruptcy Attorneys, along with other known Consumer Law practitioners from around the United States and its territories were asked to participate in the survey.

Invitations to participate were also randomly sent to Consumer Law attorneys discovered through internet search engine results conducted on a national level, including specific lawyer and professional listing web sites such as Avvo.com, Lawyers.com and LinkedIn.com, as well as randomly selected physical telephone book specialty listings. Invitations to participate were also randomly sent to attorneys identified through court filings in various jurisdictions and bar association directories.

As noted above, this survey included a systematic, comprehensive survey of court and administrative agency cases involving disputed attorney fee issues in consumer civil and administrative agency litigation. The resulting fee decisions which are included in the survey database came from every state, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

To accomplish this case survey, case alerts were created and established in Lexis

and Westlaw so that the Survey Editor would receive alerts to every consumer dispute decision involving attorney fees. With each such alert, the case decision was read, the fee-prevailing attorneys identified and researched. In some cases the attorneys were invited to participate in the survey or directly asked survey questions, but in many cases the research results revealed the survey's required responses for each such attorney and were entered individually into the survey database. As a result, this Survey Report presents the results of both attorney participants and actual decisions made by courts and administrative agencies that occurred during 2017 and 2018.

As with prior surveys, an on-line survey service was utilized to gather and tabulate the results with safeguards in place to limit data input to one participant per survey. Additional direct email and telephone survey input was also utilized. As the data was analyzed, all substantial outlier data points were each investigated for authenticity, and disregarded where authenticity was not established.

Our similar studies have been undertaken continually since 1999. The objective of these studies has been to determine and report upon the demographics of Consumer Law practitioners, including attorney hourly billing rate, firm size, years in practice, concentration of practice, areas of primary and secondary practice, paralegal billing rates and other data of use to the profession.

The collected information has been condensed into this national reference to provide useful data and benchmarks to inform the public, bar, and bench, to assist attorneys who handle consumer disputes as they manage their practice, and provide useful aid to judicial officers as they seek to determine applicable reasonable hourly rates in the cases and disputes before them.

The data is reported in a variety of focus tables below, allowing the reader to consider the data from several viewpoints of selected factors or criteria. Nevertheless there may be situations where a practitioner desires a data analysis and report specific to their practice or situation. If a more detailed analysis of data for any geographic or practice-specific situation is necessary, it can be performed upon request directed to the editor of this work.

### Data Analysis Methodology Explained

The data analysis relies on descriptive statistics, including averages, medians, and percentiles. The average, also known as the mean, is calculated by adding all of the

respondents' numerical answers for a particular item and dividing by the total number of respondents. The median, also known as the midpoint, is the point at which half of the responses are above and half are below that number.

The percentiles, e.g., 25<sup>th</sup>, 75<sup>th</sup>, and 95<sup>th</sup>, represent the point in the range of responses at which 25%, 75%, 95% of the respective responses occur for a specific question. For example, the 95<sup>th</sup> percentile hourly rate amount is the hourly rate amount at which 95% of the reported hourly rate amounts were below and 5% of the hourly rate amounts were above the number quoted.

Items may not sum up to 100% due to rounding in some cases. A data result is indicated as a dash mark (e.g., “ - ”) in this Survey Report if no data or if insufficient data was reported.

Data is presented for all of the United States and the geopolitical areas of the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands. Some survey data quantities allowed for greater and closer analysis than other geographic areas because not all reported at high levels of data responses. In almost all table fields, survey participation yielded sufficient data for reliable analysis without any necessary use of inferential analysis. In the State Summary Tables, the minimum state participation level was 10 survey data points or participants for analyses to be performed. In the Metropolitan Summary Tables, the minimum greater metropolitan participation level was also 10 survey data points or participants for analyses to be performed. In a Median Rate for Practice Areas table, if one field had no resulting data then the remaining six other practice area fields in that table would be considered and the median result entered in the field that had insufficient participation.

This was a robust survey, e.g., there are more than 4,153 fields of data calculation in this Survey Report but only six data fields lacked sufficient data input when the survey was closed, which represents 0.0014447387 of all data presented. The results for these 6 data fields were marked with a dash, indicating deficient data level to make a reliable computation. In any other instance, the result would be imputed using a variation of the scientifically accepted standard Maximum Likelihood Estimation (MLE) method statistical approach, which estimates the parameters of a statistical model given observations by finding the parameter values that maximize the likelihood of making the observations given the parameters. This approach assumes a uniform prior distribution of the parameters, which was verified to exist by examination of the presented data in this survey. The common variation of MLE employed here used multiple but related

fields as sources of data for imputation, invoking multiple fields of related known data to arrive at imputed data for the 11 missing fields. Data fields used for imputation purposes were limited to geographically contiguous data fields because of the established multi-state regional data relationships observed over our 20 years of previous survey data analyses. Simply put, data movement has always been more relational within a geographical area than when contrasted between geographical areas.

In performing calculations of state data for any field in any table, several rules applied for the imputation of missing or insufficient data.

First, if the current survey state data was insufficient then using the prior survey result the editor looked first for a field with data in the prior survey that was contiguous to the data deficient field in the current survey. Next, the editor determined the percentage change from one data field to the next data field in the prior survey and then applied that percentage change to the current survey to calculate the percentage change that would occur from the same known contiguous field to the data deficient field in the current survey. Finally, if there was none then the editor would use the average of all contiguous states' data in the deficient field to determine the entry for the insufficient data field.

In the greater metropolitan area Median Rate for Practice Areas table, if any data field was insufficient then the state data for that field is used. In performing calculations for the greater metropolitan Experience Variable Table, if greater metropolitan data was insufficient then the current survey uses the state data result for that field where data is insufficient. In performing the greater metropolitan area calculations for any field, if greater metropolitan area data is insufficient then the current survey uses the state data result for that field.

### Peer Review of Methodologies and Survey Analyses

The National Association of Legal Fee Analysis (NALFA) has reviewed this edition of the United States Consumer Law Attorney Fee Survey Report prior to publication and has announced its support of the methodology used in the data collection and analyses performed. See Appendix 3.

NALFA is a 501(c)(6) non-profit professional association for the legal fee analysis field, providing services on attorney fee and legal billing matters. Courts and clients turn

to NALFA for expertise when attorney fees and expenses are at issue in large complex cases. NALFA members include fully qualified attorney fee experts, special fee masters, bankruptcy fee examiners, fee dispute mediators and legal bill auditors and NALFA members follow Best Practices in legal fee analysis. For more information, visit [www.thenalfa.org](http://www.thenalfa.org).

### Error Rate

Before this publication, a hand selected review was conducted of selected data received during this survey and compared with the data reported in the previous survey. The results indicate an error rate of less than one percentage point at the 95% confidence level in the present Survey Report, a number substantially lower than the published error rate of similar types of surveys.

### Section 508 Compliance

The United States Consumer Law Attorney Fee Survey is the only survey of its type that is Section 508 Certified. This means that the survey program on which this survey runs meets all current U.S. Federal Section 508 certification guidelines.

Section 508 is a Federal law that outlines the requirements to make online information and services accessible to users with disabilities. All Federal agencies are required to use 508 certified software and technologies when available.

The Voluntary Product Accessibility Template (VPAT) was used in the design of the survey. VPAT's purpose is to assist Federal contracting officials and others in making preliminary assessments regarding the availability of commercial "Electronic and Information Technology" products and services with features that support accessibility. The VPAT was developed by the Information Technology Industry Council (ITI) in partnership with the U.S. General Services Administration (GSA).

Use of the VPAT means that this survey is built on programming that includes a text element for every non-text element of the survey web page, web pages are designed so that all information displayed with color is also available without color, all parts of the survey are readable without having to open another window, and other techniques to enable disabled persons to fully participate in every aspect of the Fee Survey.

The editor deems it important that the survey reach the broadest range of potential respondents possible in order to provide the reader with the most accurate results. By including survey feedback from the disabled demographic, the survey ensures a more representative population is able to participate so that all demographics may be included in the survey results.

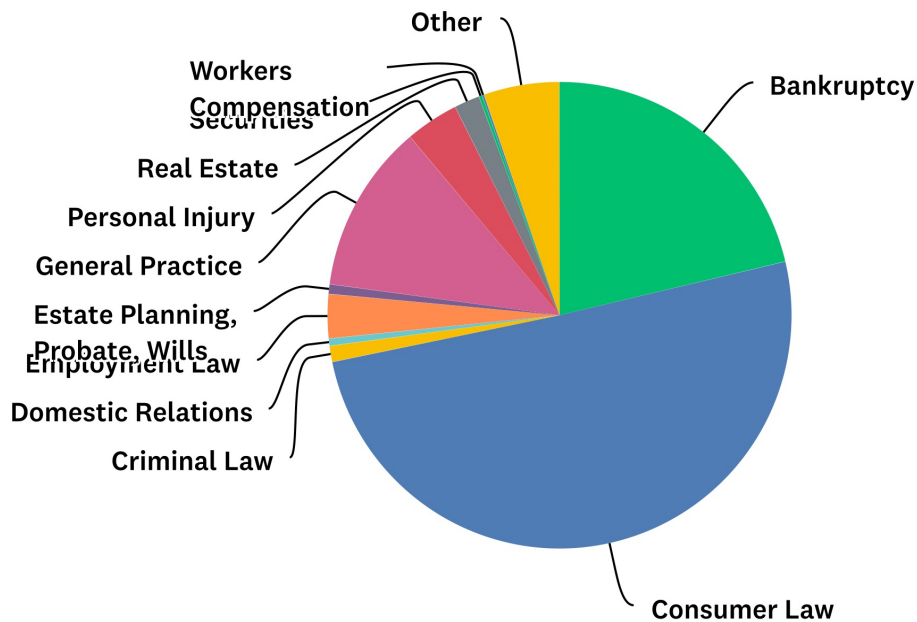
## 2. Summary Profile of the Typical U.S. Consumer Law Attorney

### National Summary Profile Data

This section graphically illustrates and contrasts key data derived from the survey when viewed only from a national approach. Emphasis here is on the average Consumer Law attorney in the United States without regard for any specific survey factor or geographic location. The geo-centric data results appear in the next section.

While 46.92% of survey participants primarily practice in the field of Consumer Law, 18.53% primarily practice Consumer Bankruptcy Law. A wide variety of other primary practice areas existed, with the majority being General Practice at 14.7%.

Below is a list of practice areas. Please select the practice area that represent the largest percentage of your practice time.

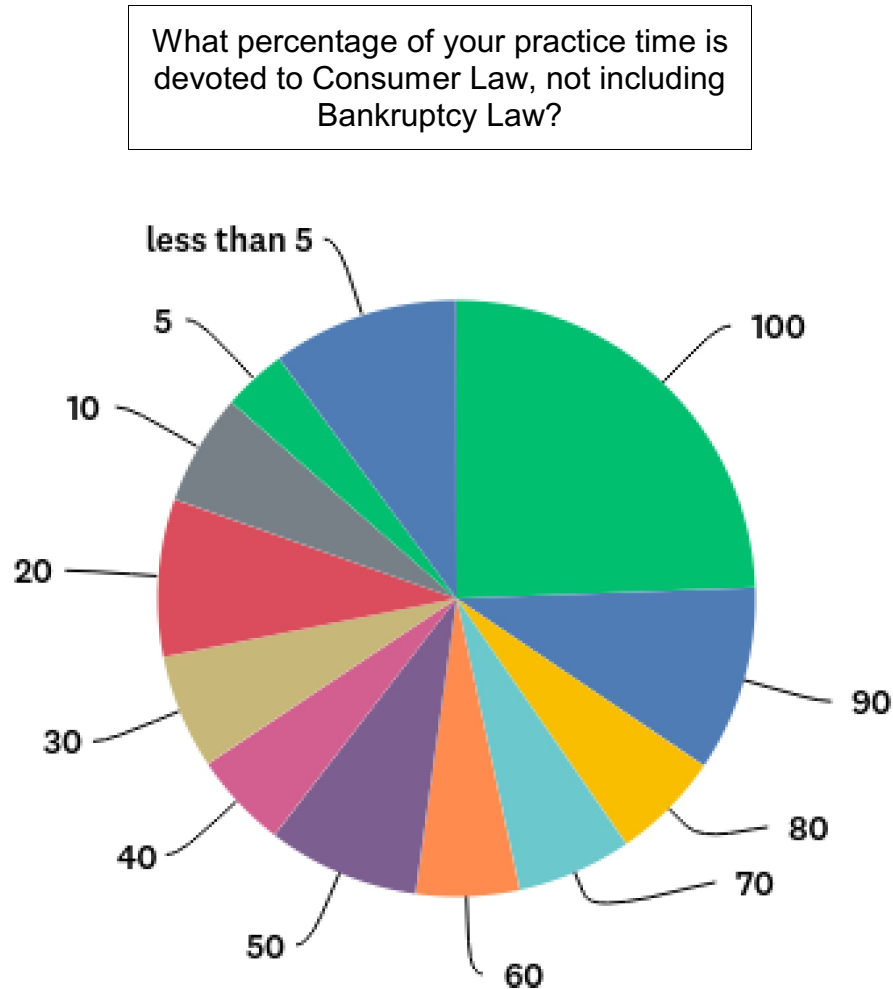


The average Consumer Law attorney continues to supplement their work in this field, primarily with Bankruptcy work.

Nevertheless, when Bankruptcy Law is taken out of the analysis, it is clear that

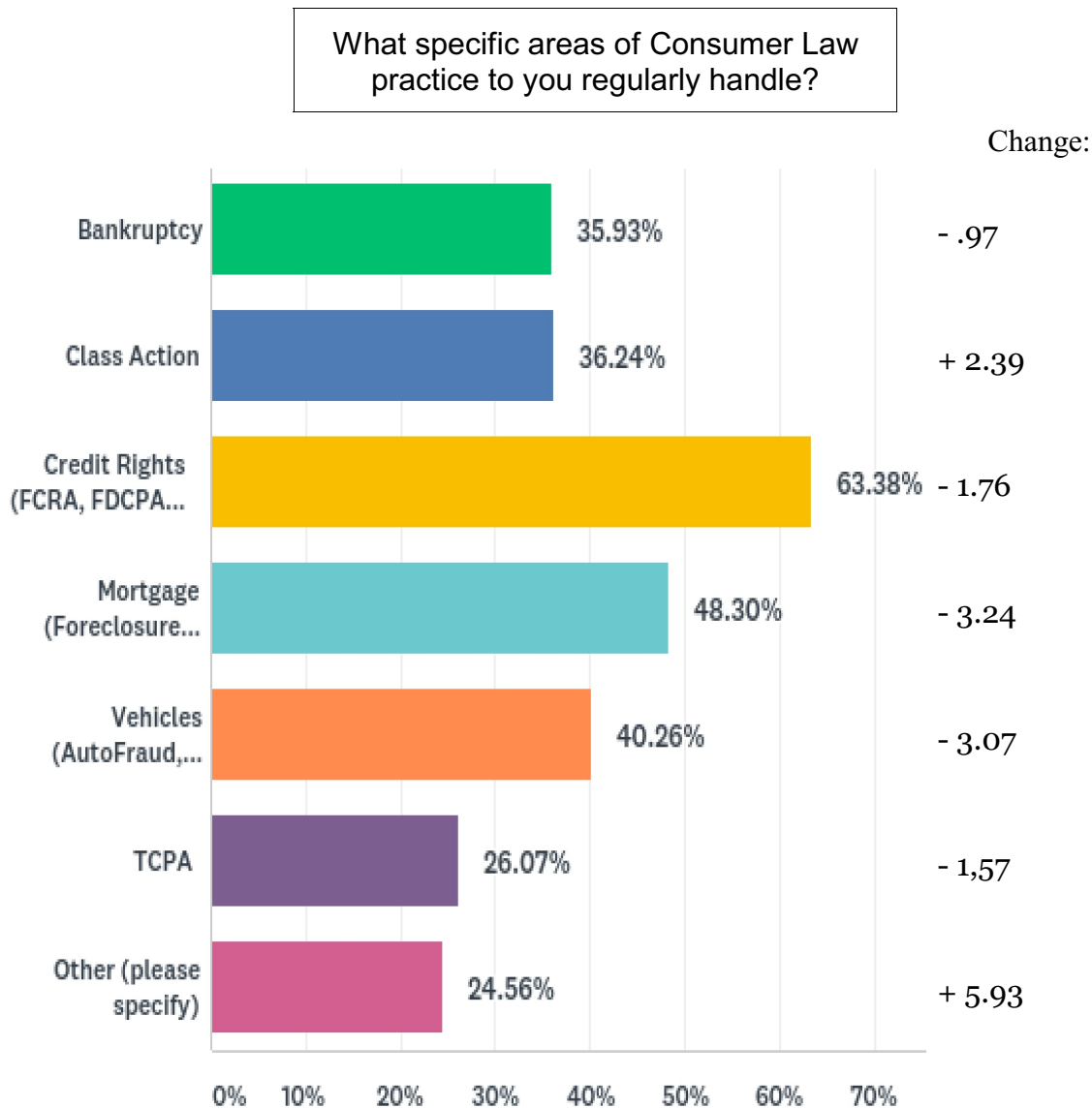
slightly more than three-fourths of all Consumer Law attorneys supplement their Consumer Law work with varying degrees of legal work in other areas of practice.

The percentage of actual practice time expended solely on non-Bankruptcy Law Consumer Law matters by the average practitioner continues to fall significantly, from 37.48% of all respondents reporting their practice to consist of 90-100% Consumer Law issues in the last Survey Report to just 24.43% in this Survey Report, a figure still far below that reported six years ago when 82.7% was the level reporting their practice to fall in the 90-100% range for Consumer Law issues.



In the field of Consumer Law there are a number of primary niche areas that have been quantified with survey data. Those who have practiced Consumer Law for a number of years have noticed the periodic shifting growth of these niche areas.

The breakdown by niche area shows that since the last Survey Report all niche areas quantitatively remained about the same.

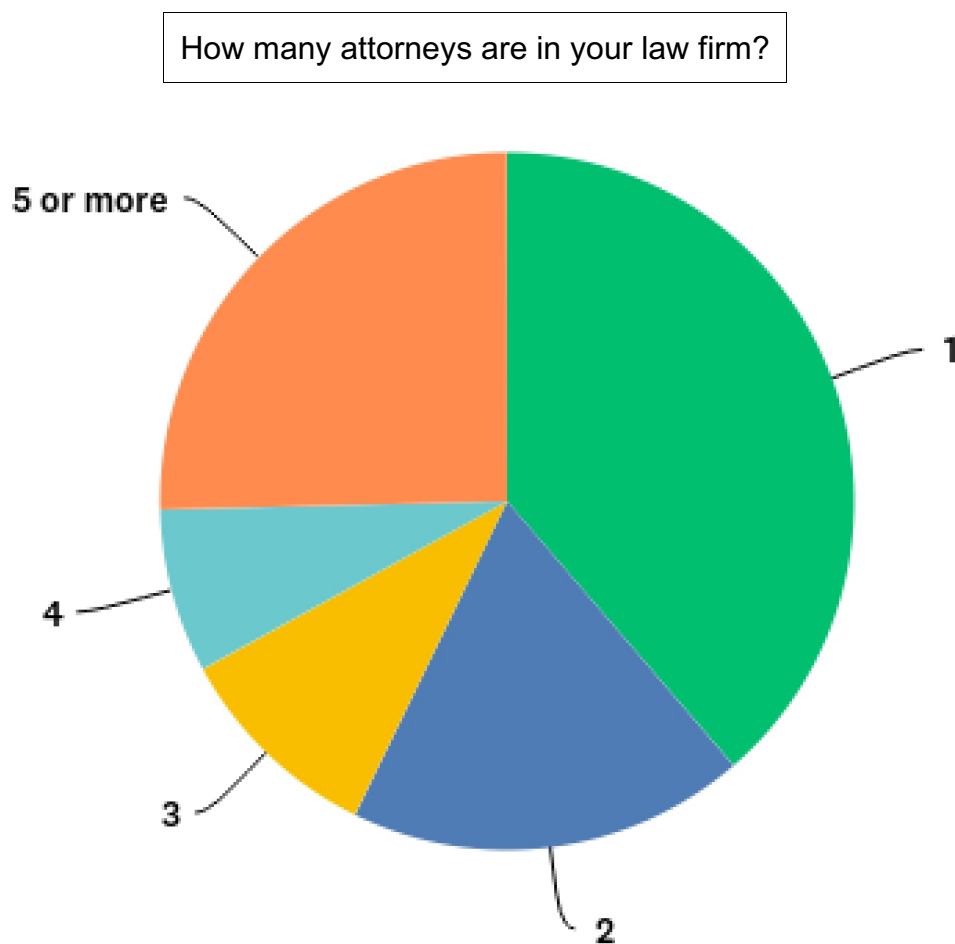


While certain economies of scale may be achievable in a larger practice with five or more attorneys, Consumer Law is a field that historically has been dominated by small firm practitioners of four or fewer attorneys. This long-term trend continues.

Solo practitioners decreased, as it has for the last six years, but still dominate the field of Consumer Law. 38.69% of all survey participants reported being solo practitioners, down from 40.65% in the last Survey Report and 51.32% in the Survey Report before that. When two and three and four member firms are added, small firms

who primarily practice Consumer Law make up 74.62% of all Consumer Law firms, down slightly from 76.22% in the last Survey Report and 79.89% in the Survey Report before that. The quantity of small law firms is very slowly decreasing in the field of Consumer Law.

In such a circumstance, law office economics are often more important to the practitioner than they may be to large law firms who may count on a larger client base for support. Consumer Law has always meant dealing with a different kind of clientele than typical large firm practices, and often involve a one-time attorney-client relationship necessitated by a single legal problem.



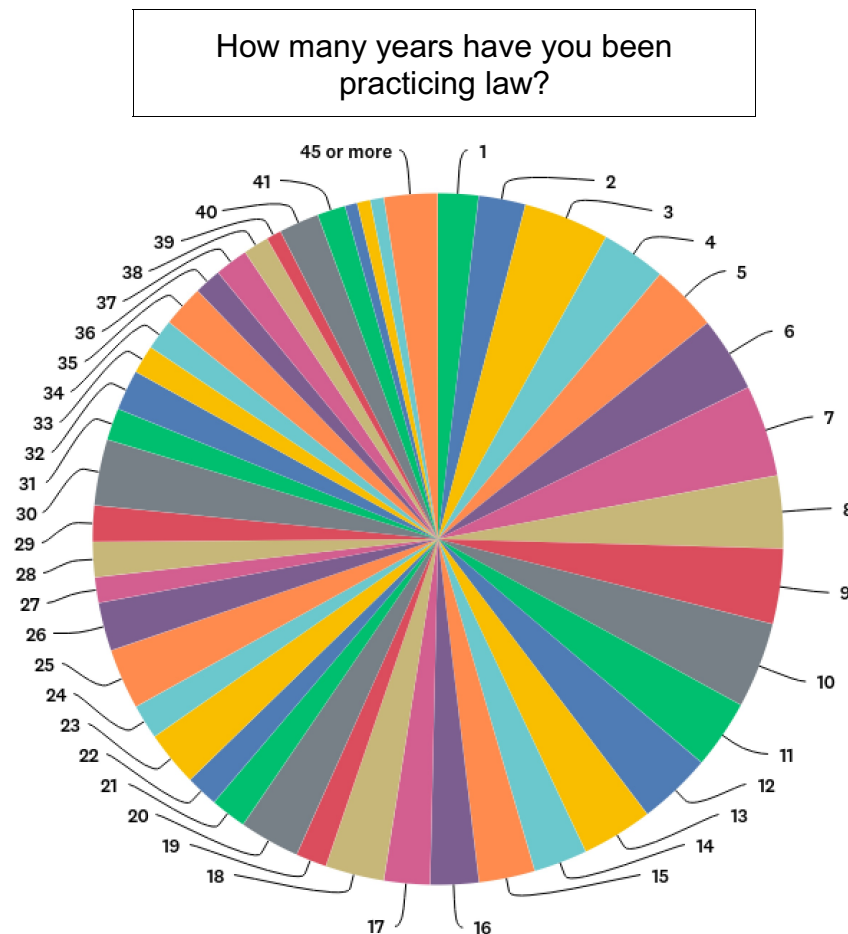
The experience level of the average Consumer Law attorney has increased very slightly, from 18.47 years to 18.78 years in practice, essentially holding steady since last the Survey Report. In this survey 14.26% of all participants have been practicing 5 or fewer years while in the last survey it was 14.61% of all participants. That would indicate

a steady pace of younger attorneys entering practice in the Consumer Law field.

The greatest increase of inexperienced attorneys (5 years or less in practice) again occurred in Ohio, which again substantially outpaced California with Florida a distant third again.

Ohio again held the lead in the largest number of senior attorneys (40 or more years in practice) of any state, while California again took second place. However Florida slipped to fifth place while, Maine took over third place. In this survey 7.54% of all participants have been practicing 40 or more years, in the last survey it was 6.97% of all participants.

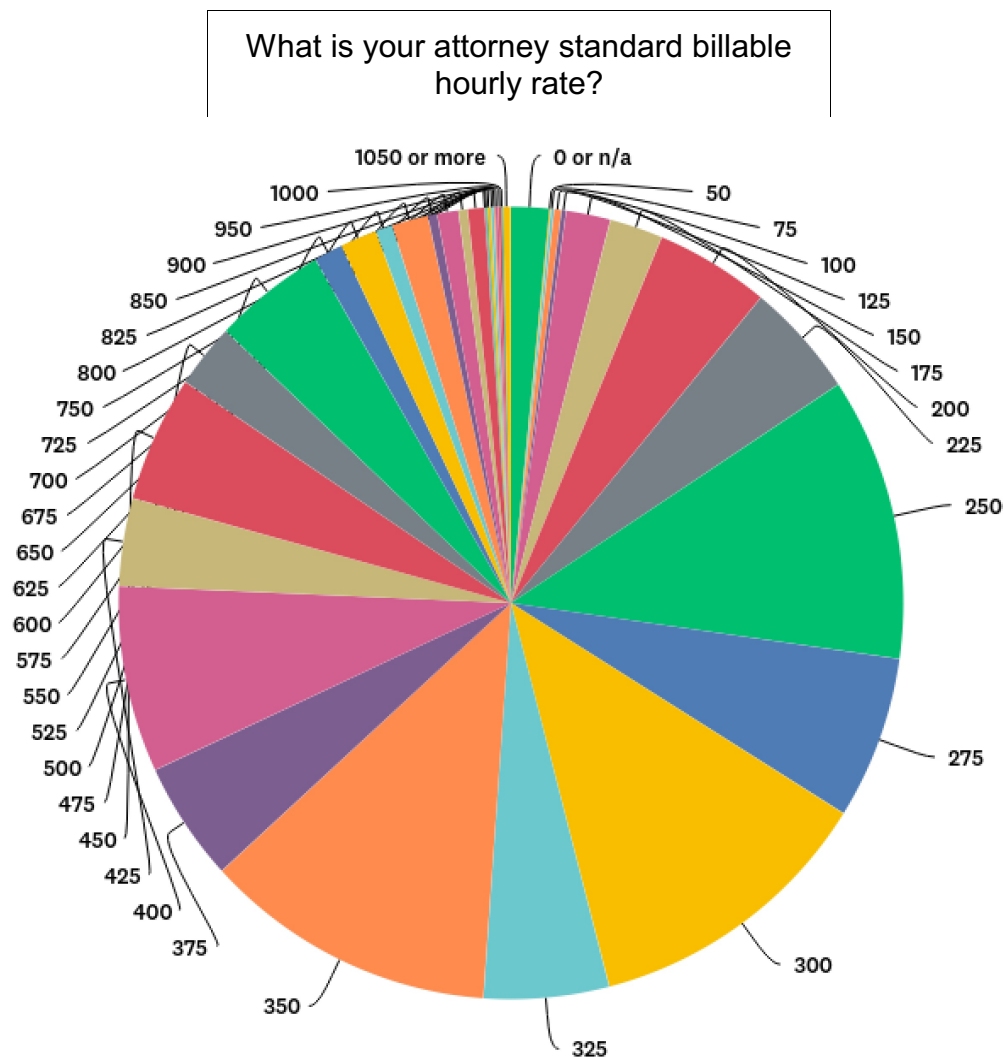
Together these figures indicate an increase in inexperienced (probably younger) attorneys entering the field of Consumer Law while there is a concurrent increase in senior (probably older) attorneys leaving practice, continuing the trend first seen in the last Survey Report.



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Disregarding all other factors, including geographical location, the average hourly rate for the typical Consumer Law attorney in the United States is \$345, the same amount as the last Survey Report. The median attorney hourly rate is \$325 nationally which is down slightly from the last Survey Report of \$350, which itself was a decrease in the median of \$365 in the preceding Survey Report.

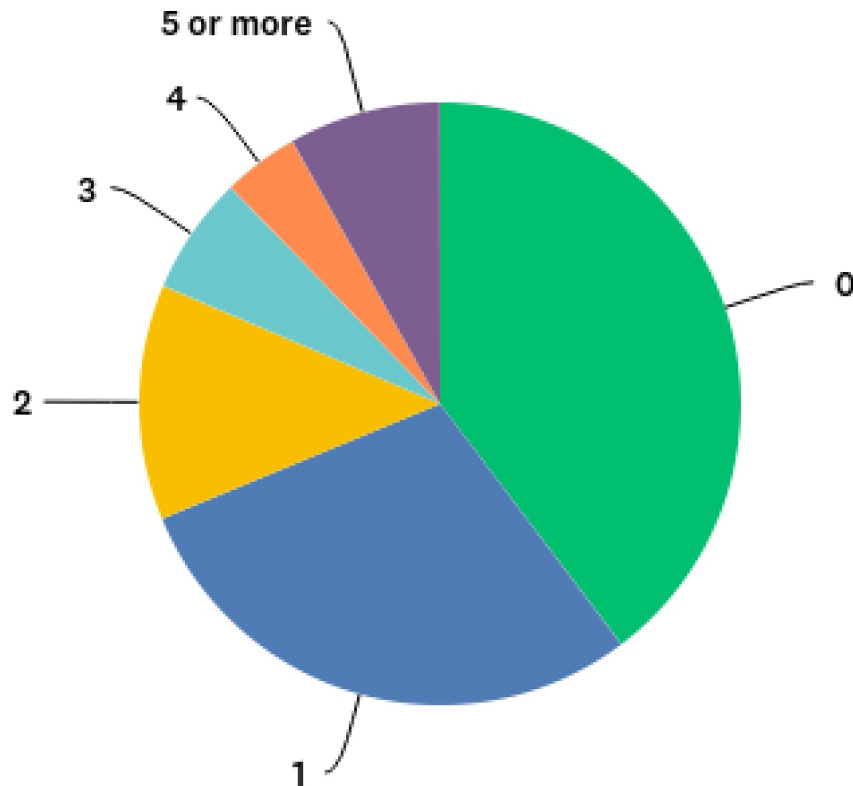
The median 25% Attorney hourly rate (the point at which 25% of all survey participants reported an hourly rate lower than this number) is \$231, down from \$250 in the last Survey Report, which was itself down from \$275 in the Survey Report before that. The median 75% Attorney hourly rate is \$419, a decrease from the last Survey Report which was \$438 at the 75% median point. The median 95% Attorney hourly rate is \$600, an increase from the last survey, which was \$588.



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It might be expected that small firms would be more likely to take advantage of the profit and cost-effectiveness of paralegal support. Instead, while only 18.56% of large firms do not employ a paralegal, 46.89% of small firms do not employ a paralegal. Overall, 39.7% of Consumer Law attorneys choose to work with no paralegal support, a slight increase from 38.73% in the last Survey Report. The average Consumer Law attorney employs one paralegal. The number is 1.31, to be precise.

How many full or part time paralegal or law clerk or legal assistants do you employ?

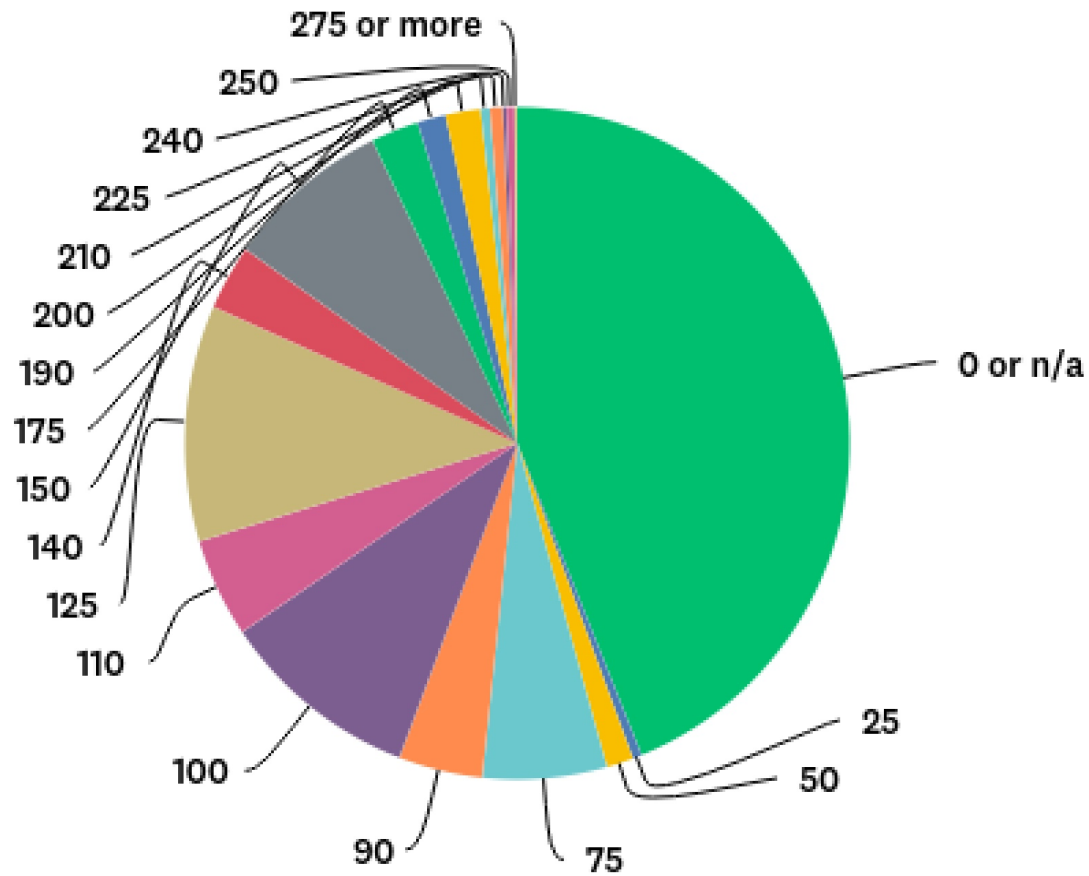


43.91% of all Consumer Law attorneys either have no paralegal or do not bill for the paralegal's time, nearly identical with the last Survey Report. The survey respondents who employed a paralegal but did not bill for paralegal time are 7.5% of all survey participants.

For those attorneys who bill for paralegal time, the national average paralegal hourly billable rate is \$123 and the national median is \$114.

In small Consumer Law firms (4 or fewer attorneys) who bill paralegal time, the median paralegal hourly billable rate is \$111. In large Consumer Law firms (5 or more attorneys) who bill paralegal time, the median paralegal hourly billable rate is \$118.

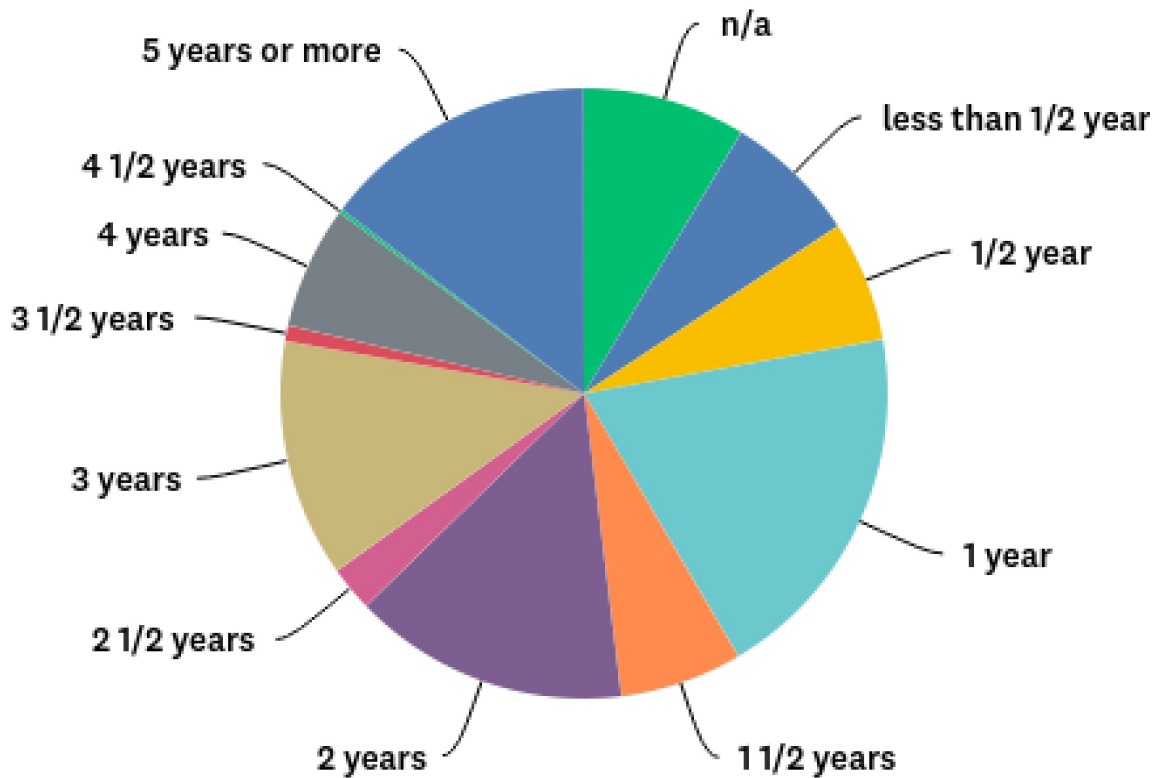
If you have a paralegal and bill for their time, what is your average paralegal or law clerk or legal assistant standard billable hourly rate?



The average attorney raised their hourly rate 24.54 months ago. 32.86% of all Consumer Law attorneys raised their hourly rates during the last year. In the last 2 years 54.09% of all Consumer Law attorneys raised their hourly rates. In spite of that, 14.7% of Consumer Law attorneys have not raised their hourly rate for 5 or more years.

Of all senior attorneys (practicing 40 or more years) in the national survey, 46.67% have not raised their hourly rate during the last five years. That fact continues to be apparent from almost any Experience Variable Table in this Survey Report and is historically observable in at least the last five Survey Reports.

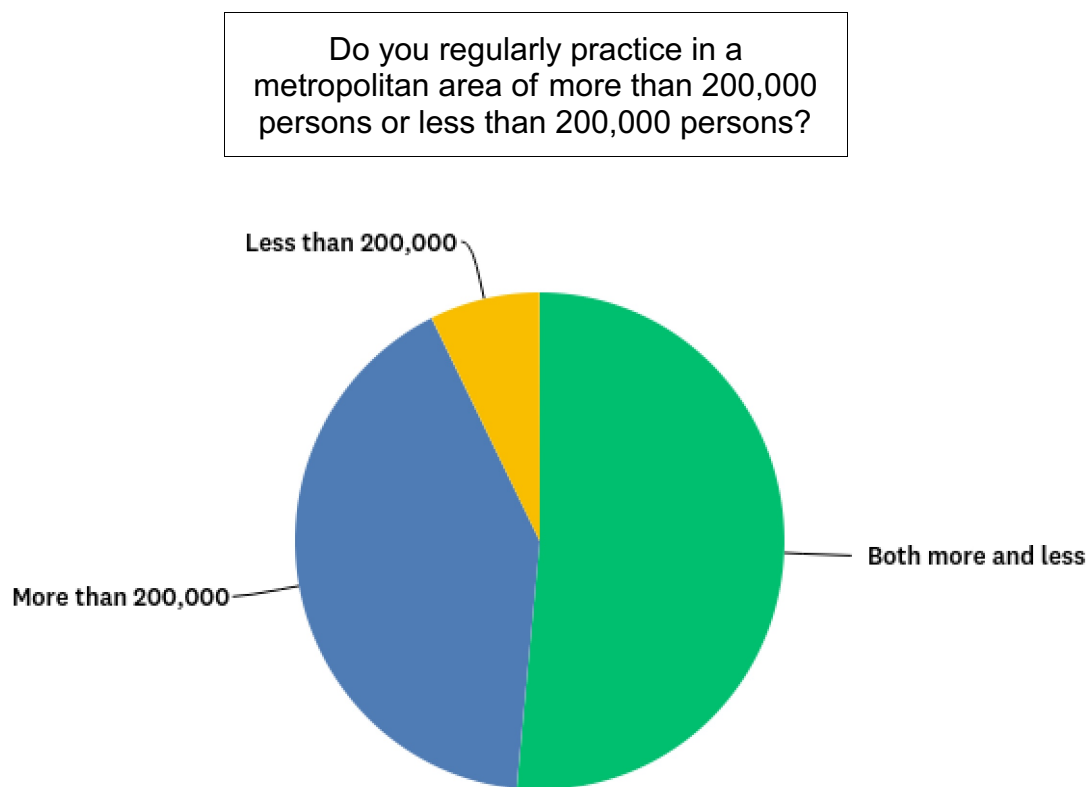
How long ago did you change your billable hourly rate?



In the last survey there was observed a significant shift away from metropolitan practice to suburban practice location for Consumer Law attorneys but that appears to have tapered off during the last survey period. This Survey Report shows 41.21% of respondents practice in a metropolitan area, down from the last survey (43.89%), which was down very significantly from the preceding Survey Report (61.4%).

At the same time there is also evidence of a significant shift away from non-metropolitan practice to suburban practice locations, while not as dramatic a shift as from metropolitan practices. This Survey Report shows 7.29% of respondents practice in a non-metropolitan area, down significantly from the last survey report (8.54%).

This Survey Report shows 51.51% of respondents regularly practice in both metropolitan and non-metropolitan areas, a repeat increase from the last survey report (47.57%) which was itself an increase from the Survey Report which preceded that. The practice of Consumer Law appears to have changed from primarily a greater metropolitan practice to a primarily suburban practice.



## Conclusions

From a historical perspective, several observations can be made when the survey data is viewed over the last decade.

The United States continues to be a mobile society and the trend toward suburban practice locations by Consumer Law attorneys likewise is continuing, albeit at a slower pace than in the last four years. While city population numbers ebb and wane, rural population numbers are largely on a downward spiral. More than a third of all rural counties in the United States have and are experiencing a continuing and longstanding “protracted and significant” population loss, according to a February 2019 study.<sup>5</sup> Meanwhile, the suburban sprawl of America’s big cities has been continuing for over a decade. The result is a continuing and growing concentration of Consumer Law attorneys in the beltway of American cities, with both big city firms and rural firms contributing to the move.

No matter the location however, small law firms of four or fewer attorneys consistently dominate the field of Consumer Law.

The historically higher hourly rates of large Consumer Law firms have now leveled with the hourly rates of small firms in most instances. The overall median hourly rate of both size firms is level at \$325. However, the overall average hourly rate finds large firms at \$351 just \$8 higher than the small firm average of \$343.

The number of paralegals employed by the average Consumer Law firm consistently is one and significant numbers of solo Consumer Law attorneys continue to operate with no paralegal support, regardless of the profit or cost-effectiveness of the support a paralegal more often than not can provide to a firm. This may continue to be the result of younger attorneys’ lack of experience with working alongside a paralegal.

The average number of years in practice for Consumer Law attorneys has slightly moved up and down over the last decade, i.e., in 2009 it was 17.8 years and now it is 18.78 years, just very slight up from the last Survey Report of 18.47 years. This continues

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<sup>5</sup> Carsey School of Public Policy, Univ. Of New Hampshire, *Rural Depopulation in a Rapidly Urbanizing America*, Feb. 6, 2019 by K Johnson, D Lichter, <https://carsey.unh.edu/publication/rural-depopulation>.

to indicate that Consumer Law remains of interest to those who practice in this area of law as they age in their career.

Senior attorneys, who have been in practice the longest, continue the trend of holding their hourly rates steady for the longest time. However, for the first time it is found that younger attorneys who are aging in the practice are carrying with them a faster tendency to increase their hourly rates more often.

Consumer Law and Bankruptcy Law continue to be two areas of law where practitioners frequently concentrate on one while supplementing their work with the other.

The average Consumer Law attorney reported their practice to consist of 55.3% Consumer Law work and while Bankruptcy Law remains the largest secondary area of a Consumer Lawyer's practice, there is a much larger supplementation from the field of General Practice than ever before.

## National Summary Profile Tables

## Explanation of Tables

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## Median Rates for Practice Areas in Consumer Law

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Median Rate for Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	For all attorneys handling this specific niche area of Consumer Law, the 25% Median, Median and 95% Median points are provided
Median Rate for Attorneys Handling Other Cases	For all attorneys handling a niche area of Consumer Law not defined in the preceding six areas, the 25% Median, Median and 95% Median points are provided

## National Summary Table

1,592 Attorneys Reporting Data on 2,078 Paralegals	National Survey Result Last Survey	National Survey Result This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.3	2.62
Median Years in Practice	20.0	16.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	73.8	55.3
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy Law	Bankruptcy Law
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.5	1.31
Median Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.0	1.0
Average Paralegal Rate for All Billable Paralegals	84	123
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	19.9	24.54
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	90	128
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350	345
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	265	246
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	365	325
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	455	418
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	630	581
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	350	350
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	275	300

National Median Rates for Practice Areas Table

	National Survey Median Last Survey	National Survey Median this Survey
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	300	300
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	425	350
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	350	325
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	350	325
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	350	350
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	375	350
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	350	300

National Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	National Attorney Hourly Rate Average Last Survey	National Attorney Median Hourly Rate This Survey
<1	250	188
1-3	241	250
3-5	270	250
6-10	320	300
11-15	348	350
16-20	416	350
21-25	395	375
26-30	418	350
31-35	373	375
36-40	412	350
41-44	397	388
45+	(not previously reported)	450

National Specialty Variable Table

Percentage of Consumer Law Practice	National Attorney Hourly Rate Average Last Survey	National Attorney Median Hourly Rate This Survey
100	407	350
90	401	350
80	370	350
70	390	350
60	338	325
50	361	300
40	(not previously reported)	300
30	(not previously reported)	300
20	(not previously reported)	300
10	(not previously reported)	300
5	(not previously reported)	275
-5	(not previously reported)	300

National Small Firm Size Variable Table

Years in Practice	National Attorney Hourly Rate Average Last Survey	National Attorney Median Hourly Rate This Survey
<1	293	188
1-3	260	250
3-5	275	250
6-10	313	300
11-15	333	325
16-20	404	350
21-25	386	350
26-30	400	350
31-35	354	375
36-40	373	350
41-44	394	363
45+	(not previously reported)	450

National Large Firm Size Variable Table

Years in Practice	National Attorney Hourly Rate Average Last Survey	National Attorney Hourly Rate Average This Survey
<1	275	200
1-3	233	250
3-5	279	250
6-10	340	300
11-15	407	350
16-20	455	388
21-25	437	400
26-30	556	363
31-35	457	400
36-40	539	400
41-44	463	475
45+	(not previously reported)	525

## 3. State Summary Tables

## Billable Attorney and Paralegal Participation Data Count By State

<i><b>State</b></i>	<i><b>Billable Attorney Data Count</b></i>	<i><b>Billable Paralegal Data Count</b></i>
Alabama	31	51
Alaska	16	24
Arizona	27	46
Arkansas	37	104
California	164	270
Colorado	37	49
Connecticut	29	48
Delaware	12	11
District of Columbia	21	26
Florida	90	120
Georgia	38	44
Hawaii	24	51
Idaho	15	4
Illinois	71	113
Indiana	32	65
Iowa	17	7
Kansas	13	19
Kentucky	13	28
Louisiana	17	11
Maine	15	23
Maryland	21	25
Massachusetts	25	18

Michigan	56	48
Minnesota	20	16
Mississippi	14	24
Missouri	50	51
Montana	15	18
Nebraska	21	12
Nevada	21	22
New Hampshire	16	14
New Jersey	41	50
New Mexico	25	29
New York	99	153
North Carolina	58	123
North Dakota	13	23
Ohio	192	365
Oklahoma	14	18
Oregon	17	24
Pennsylvania	60	101
Puerto Rico	21	10
Rhode Island	19	22
South Carolina	25	35
South Dakota	15	17
Tennessee	29	47
Texas	46	54
Utah	27	79
Vermont	30	4
Virgin Islands U.S.	30	48
Virginia	26	34

Washington	57	77
West Virginia	18	19
Wisconsin	31	39
Wyoming	14	13

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Median Rate for Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	For all attorneys handling this specific niche area of Consumer Law, the 25% Median, Median and 95% Median points are provided
Median Rate for Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	For all attorneys handling this specific niche area of Consumer Law, the 25% Median, Median and 95% Median points are provided
Median Rate for Attorneys Handling Other Cases	For all attorneys handling a niche area of Consumer Law not defined in the preceding six areas, the 25% Median, Median and 95% Median points are provided

## Alabama

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.23
Median Years in Practice	21.29
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	58.1
Primary Practice Area	Bankruptcy Law
Secondary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.68
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	15.48
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	83
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	286
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	250
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	313
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	363
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	563
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	300
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	300
Median Attorney Rate in Northern Area of State	350
Median Attorney Rate in Southern Area of State	300
Median Attorney Rate in Eastern Area of State	350
Median Attorney Rate in Western Area of State	350
Median Attorney Rate in Central Area of State	338

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	25% Median	Median	95% Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	213	275	388
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	325	350	563
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	263	350	625
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	213	300	406
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	238	350	458
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	281	450	583
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	223	325	520

## Alaska

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	1.63
Median Years in Practice	23.5
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	48.1
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Personal Injury
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.06
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	35.28
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	68
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	325
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	250
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	325
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	413
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	500
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	400
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	338
Median Attorney Rate in Northern Area of State	325
Median Attorney Rate in Southern Area of State	300
Median Attorney Rate in Eastern Area of State	325
Median Attorney Rate in Western Area of State	325
Median Attorney Rate in Central Area of State	325

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	25% Median	Median	95% Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	200	250	375
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	275	338	500
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	300	350	494
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	275	325	400
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	294	338	475
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	125	250	500
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	250	325	400

## Arizona

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.56
Median Years in Practice	22.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	81.1
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.59
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	18.24
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	140
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	393
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	325
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	425
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	488
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	625
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	413
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	433
Median Attorney Rate in Northern Area of State	350
Median Attorney Rate in Southern Area of State	400
Median Attorney Rate in Eastern Area of State	400
Median Attorney Rate in Western Area of State	450
Median Attorney Rate in Central Area of State	375

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	25% Median	Median	95% Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	258	450	500
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	350	475	650
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	350	450	675
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	350	475	675
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	342	400	675
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	350	450	550
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	300	350	450

## Arkansas

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.81
Median Years in Practice	11.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	57.8
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	General Practice
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	.59
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	28.2
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	107
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	272
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	225
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	275
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	319
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	525
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	275
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	250
Median Attorney Rate in Northern Area of State	275
Median Attorney Rate in Southern Area of State	300
Median Attorney Rate in Eastern Area of State	300
Median Attorney Rate in Western Area of State	288
Median Attorney Rate in Central Area of State	275

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	25% Median	Median	95% Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	200	250	300
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	250	283	525
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	250	300	550
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	250	288	313
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	300	338	400
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	250	350	550
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	250	300	408

## Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	275
1-3	200
3-5	200
6-10	238
11-15	263
16-20	300
21-25	313
26-30	313
31-35	325
36-40	300
41-44	363
45+	350

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Specialty Variable Table

Percentage of Consumer Law Practice	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
100	400
90	300
80	213
70	200
60	225
50	300

Small Firm Size Variable Table

Years in Practice	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	150
1-3	163
3-5	175
6-10	275
11-15	300
16-20	288
21-25	263
26-30	263
31-35	256
36-40	275
41-44	300
45+	300

Large Firm Size Variable Table

Years in Practice	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	175
1-3	200
3-5	213
6-10	225
11-15	275
16-20	325
21-25	338
26-30	350
31-35	363
36-40	338
41-44	350
45+	350

## California

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.73
Median Years in Practice	158.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	72.1
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.21
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	16.92
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	143
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	450
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	430
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	513
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	663
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	440
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	450
Median Attorney Rate in Northern Area of State	450
Median Attorney Rate in Southern Area of State	425
Median Attorney Rate in Eastern Area of State	413
Median Attorney Rate in Western Area of State	475
Median Attorney Rate in Central Area of State	425

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	25% Median	Median	95% Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	338	413	631
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	350	488	700
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	325	412	663
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	313	412	624
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	338	450	663
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	350	425	725
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	263	350	600

## Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	225
1-3	286
3-5	291
6-10	307
11-15	406
16-20	422
21-25	507
26-30	514
31-35	505
36-40	370
41-44	400
45+	531

Specialty Variable Table

Percentage of Consumer Law Practice	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
100	472
90	476
80	471
70	335
60	389
50	392

Small Firm Size Variable Table

Years in Practice	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	300
1-3	309
3-5	283
6-10	403
11-15	417
16-20	491
21-25	517
26-30	533
31-35	460
36-40	529
41-44	300
45+	531

Large Firm Size Variable Table

Years in Practice	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	200
1-3	250
3-5	310
6-10	416
11-15	430
16-20	572
21-25	483
26-30	425
31-35	688
36-40	397
41-44	600
45+	691

## Colorado

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.3
Median Years in Practice	17.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	47.82
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.32
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	22.28
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	118
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	326
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	275
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	300
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	400
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	607
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	350
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	375
Median Attorney Rate in Northern Area of State	375
Median Attorney Rate in Southern Area of State	375
Median Attorney Rate in Eastern Area of State	375
Median Attorney Rate in Western Area of State	350
Median Attorney Rate in Central Area of State	350

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	25% Median	Median	95% Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	275	300	375
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	288	325	625
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	288	338	625
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	175	238	400
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	288	338	500
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	288	375	625
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	288	325	363

## Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	225
1-3	250
3-5	300
6-10	338
11-15	325
16-20	350
21-25	350
26-30	363
31-35	363
36-40	388
41-44	400
45+	500

Specialty Variable Table

Percentage of Consumer Law Practice	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
100	388
90	350
80	175
70	250
60	300
50	350

Small Firm Size Variable Table

Years in Practice	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	150
1-3	175
3-5	200
6-10	275
11-15	300
16-20	313
21-25	350
26-30	350
31-35	325
36-40	388
41-44	400
45+	500

Large Firm Size Variable Table

Years in Practice	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	200
1-3	300
3-5	300
6-10	400
11-15	425
16-20	450
21-25	483
26-30	425
31-35	450
36-40	463
41-44	500
45+	400

## Connecticut

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2,93
Median Years in Practice	24.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	60.0
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	General Practice
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.66
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	29.58
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	100
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	366
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	288
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	438
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	517
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	350
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	400
Median Attorney Rate in Northern Area of State	400
Median Attorney Rate in Southern Area of State	400
Median Attorney Rate in Eastern Area of State	375
Median Attorney Rate in Western Area of State	400
Median Attorney Rate in Central Area of State	350

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	25% Median	Median	95% Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	275	350	450
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	313	388	450
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	275	350	500
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	250	350	450
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	275	325	400
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	300	350	400
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	350	400	525

## Delaware

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.33
Median Years in Practice	15.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	70.0
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	.25
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	32.0
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	80
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	325
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	275
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	300
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	400
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	538
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	300
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	300
Median Attorney Rate in Northern Area of State	300
Median Attorney Rate in Southern Area of State	313
Median Attorney Rate in Eastern Area of State	313
Median Attorney Rate in Western Area of State	300
Median Attorney Rate in Central Area of State	313

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	25% Median	Median	95% Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	275	313	400
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	275	363	675
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	250	300	400
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	263	313	400
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	275	325	400
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	275	325	400
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	350	400	480

## District of Columbia

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.48
Median Years in Practice	25.57
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	56.2
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	2.24
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	20.13
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	134
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	572
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	433
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	475
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	750
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	1000
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	475
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	475
Median Attorney Rate in Northern Area of DC	475
Median Attorney Rate in Southern Area of DC	475
Median Attorney Rate in Eastern Area of DC	475
Median Attorney Rate in Western Area of DC	463
Median Attorney Rate in Central Area of DC	538

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	25% Median	Median	95% Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	275	475	950
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	430	625	975
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	338	450	650
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	438	475	925
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	388	450	550
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	325	438	550
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	425	550	925

## Florida

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.6
Median Years in Practice	14.5
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	64.1
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	2.32
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	17.04
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	100
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	379
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	300
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	375
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	463
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	642
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	388
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	350
Median Attorney Rate in Northern Area of State	315
Median Attorney Rate in Southern Area of State	375
Median Attorney Rate in Eastern Area of State	400
Median Attorney Rate in Western Area of State	375
Median Attorney Rate in Central Area of State	350

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	25% Median	Median	95% Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	300	350	642
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	300	425	700
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	292	350	669
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	263	368	670
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	350	400	675
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	350	400	675
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	288	313	350

## Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	250
1-3	280
3-5	285
6-10	343
11-15	357
16-20	470
21-25	510
26-30	438
31-35	408
36-40	430
41+	505

Specialty Variable Table

Percentage of Consumer Law Practice	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
100	381
90	459
80	411
70	368
60	375
50	400

Small Firm Size Variable Table

Years in Practice	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	313
1-3	313
3-5	3263
6-10	338
11-15	352
16-20	429
21-25	529
26-30	438
31-35	425
36-40	408
41+	481

Large Firm Size Variable Table

Years in Practice	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	250
1-3	250
3-5	288
6-10	355
11-15	425
16-20	550
21-25	631
26-30	533
31-35	450
36-40	463
41+	600

## Georgia

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.08
Median Years in Practice	16.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	75.5
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.16
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	19.0
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	100
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	336
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	300
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	400
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	575
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	368
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	325
Median Attorney Rate in Northern Area of State	350
Median Attorney Rate in Southern Area of State	363
Median Attorney Rate in Eastern Area of State	388
Median Attorney Rate in Western Area of State	375
Median Attorney Rate in Central Area of State	338

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	25% Median	Median	95% Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	275	338	450
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	350	450	700
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	275	363	675
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	250	300	575
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	300	350	575
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	325	375	700
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	275	300	350

## Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	200
1-3	250
3-5	275
6-10	275
11-15	375
16-20	400
21-25	400
26-30	425
31-35	433
36-40	350
41-44	300
45+	500

Specialty Variable Table

Percentage of Consumer Law Practice	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
100	338
90	450
80	250
70	275
60	375
50	400

Small Firm Size Variable Table

Years in Practice	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	200
1-3	200
3-5	250
6-10	275
11-15	363
16-20	475
21-25	450
26-30	400
31-35	350
36-40	300
41+	400

Large Firm Size Variable Table

Years in Practice	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	175
1-3	200
3-5	213
6-10	275
11-15	338
16-20	375
21-25	425
26-30	425
31-35	450
36-40	444
41+	488

## Hawaii

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	1.4
Median Years in Practice	17.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	44.0
Primary Practice Area	General Practice
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.27
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	24.78
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	118
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	312
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	238
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	308
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	375
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	600
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	263
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	250
Median Attorney Rate in Northern Area of State	263
Median Attorney Rate in Southern Area of State	313
Median Attorney Rate in Eastern Area of State	313
Median Attorney Rate in Western Area of State	313
Median Attorney Rate in Central Area of State	313

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	25% Median	Median	95% Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	283	350	408
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	238	275	500
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	238	263	600
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	217	250	375
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	225	250	350
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	238	313	600
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	225	263	350

## Idaho

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	1.53
Median Years in Practice	10.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	60.0
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	.27
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	19.3
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	110
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	262
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	225
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	250
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	313
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	325
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	263
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	263
Median Attorney Rate in Northern Area of State	263
Median Attorney Rate in Southern Area of State	263
Median Attorney Rate in Eastern Area of State	275
Median Attorney Rate in Western Area of State	225
Median Attorney Rate in Central Area of State	250

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	25% Median	Median	95% Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	212	225	263
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	250	275	425
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	225	263	425
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	225	275	425
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	225	275	425
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	225	250	425
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	275	313	350

## Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	150
1-3	175
3-5	200
6-10	225
11-15	250
16-20	363
21-25	350
26-30	275
31-35	308
36-40	317
41+	275

## Illinois

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.42
Median Years in Practice	14.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	87.9
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.59
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	18.7
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	125
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	402
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	375
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	475
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	619
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	375
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	350
Median Attorney Rate in Northern Area of State	375
Median Attorney Rate in Southern Area of State	425
Median Attorney Rate in Eastern Area of State	400
Median Attorney Rate in Western Area of State	450
Median Attorney Rate in Central Area of State	400

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	25% Median	Median	95% Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	275	338	692
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	350	463	700
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	350	413	675
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	308	350	696
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	333	375	696
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	350	450	700
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	325	425	700

## Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	278
1-3	333
3-5	325
6-10	359
11-15	422
16-20	433
21-25	346
26-30	508
31-35	425
36-40	550
41+	380

Specialty Variable Table

Percentage of Consumer Law Practice	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
100	425
90	500
80	375
70	388
60	400
50	383

Small Firm Size Variable Table

Years in Practice	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	365
1-3	350
3-5	329
6-10	379
11-15	369
16-20	375
21-25	277
26-30	510
31-35	375
36-40	450-
41+	233

Large Firm Size Variable Table

Years in Practice	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	263
1-3	300
3-5	300
6-10	344
11-15	461
16-20	550
21-25	450
26-30	500
31-35	475
36-40	550
41+	600

## Indiana

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.09
Median Years in Practice	12.5
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	70.3
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	2.03
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	18.0
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	125
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	351
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	275
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	325
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	450
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	663
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	325
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	325
Median Attorney Rate in Northern Area of State	325
Median Attorney Rate in Southern Area of State	440
Median Attorney Rate in Eastern Area of State	325
Median Attorney Rate in Western Area of State	400
Median Attorney Rate in Central Area of State	400

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	25% Median	Median	95% Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	200	275	350
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	394	450	600
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	358	400	600
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	200	363	475
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	381	425	525
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	400	450	600
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	222	250	525

## Iowa

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.18
Median Years in Practice	12.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	57.6
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Employment Law
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	.41
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	22.8
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	125
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	281
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	244
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	300
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	375
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	400
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	313
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	300
Median Attorney Rate in Northern Area of State	325
Median Attorney Rate in Southern Area of State	338
Median Attorney Rate in Eastern Area of State	325
Median Attorney Rate in Western Area of State	325
Median Attorney Rate in Central Area of State	313

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	25% Median	Median	95% Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	225	300	400
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	275	338	388
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	250	300	400
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	150	300	350
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	150	300	350
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	238	338	381
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	313	375	394

## Kansas

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.23
Median Years in Practice	14.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	70.8
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.46
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	19.38
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	125
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	352
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	258
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	825
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	350
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	338
Median Attorney Rate in Northern Area of State	350
Median Attorney Rate in Southern Area of State	350
Median Attorney Rate in Eastern Area of State	350
Median Attorney Rate in Western Area of State	350
Median Attorney Rate in Central Area of State	338

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	25% Median	Median	95% Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	213	275	338
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	300	350	825
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	250	313	400
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	225	275	325
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	225	275	325
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	200	325	363
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	236	300	429

## Kentucky

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	1.62
Median Years in Practice	12.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	73.8
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.92
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	21.0
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	100
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	289
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	200
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	275
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	367
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	425
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	325
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	225
Median Attorney Rate in Northern Area of State	325
Median Attorney Rate in Southern Area of State	425
Median Attorney Rate in Eastern Area of State	338
Median Attorney Rate in Western Area of State	213
Median Attorney Rate in Central Area of State	338

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	25% Median	Median	95% Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	200	225	350
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	275	363	463
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	200	225	400
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	200	275	400
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	200	300	425
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	175	200	320
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	208	213	393

## Louisiana

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.53
Median Years in Practice	13.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	55.9
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	General Practice
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	.65
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	27.9
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	95
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	294
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	231
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	300
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	344
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	425
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	300
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	275
Median Attorney Rate in Northern Area of State	325
Median Attorney Rate in Southern Area of State	288
Median Attorney Rate in Eastern Area of State	275
Median Attorney Rate in Western Area of State	250
Median Attorney Rate in Central Area of State	300

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	25% Median	Median	95% Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	250	300	425
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	250	325	425
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	225	275	425
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	225	275	413
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	219	275	350
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	250	325	438
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	200	213	300

## Maine

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.33
Median Years in Practice	26.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	68.0
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	General Practice
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.53
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	39.18
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	100
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	298
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	200
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	400
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	506
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	275
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	350
Median Attorney Rate in Northern Area of State	425
Median Attorney Rate in Southern Area of State	275
Median Attorney Rate in Eastern Area of State	275
Median Attorney Rate in Western Area of State	350
Median Attorney Rate in Central Area of State	400

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	25% Median	Median	95% Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	188	200	363
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	200	350	425
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	200	275	413
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	200	350	425
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	200	325	413
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	188	200	373
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	200	325	500

## Maryland

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.67
Median Years in Practice	23.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	52.9
Primary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Secondary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.19
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	20.58
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	100
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	376
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	275
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	475
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	681
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	375
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	375
Median Attorney Rate in Northern Area of State	325
Median Attorney Rate in Southern Area of State	288
Median Attorney Rate in Eastern Area of State	350
Median Attorney Rate in Western Area of State	288
Median Attorney Rate in Central Area of State	300

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	25% Median	Median	95% Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	325	350	525
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	175	363	681
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	300	400	675
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	313	400	675
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	275	475	675
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	275	450	625
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	150	225	475

## Massachusetts

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	1.92
Median Years in Practice	13.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	87.3
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	.72
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	17.52
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	118
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	335
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	250
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	300
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	400
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	700
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	300
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	300
Median Attorney Rate in Northern Area of State	300
Median Attorney Rate in Southern Area of State	300
Median Attorney Rate in Eastern Area of State	300
Median Attorney Rate in Western Area of State	275
Median Attorney Rate in Central Area of State	300

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	25% Median	Median	95% Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	250	300	725
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	250	350	700
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	300	350	700
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	238	300	700
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	250	300	700
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	375	500	700
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	300	400	700

## Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	200
1-3	213
3-5	100
6-10	288
11-15	300
16-20	450
21-25	350
26-30	350
31-35	450
36-40	475
41+	488

Specialty Variable Table

Percentage of Consumer Law Practice	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
100	350
90	400
80	350
70	275
60	200
50	300

Small Firm Size Variable Table

Years in Practice	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	200
1-3	250
3-5	100
6-10	300
11-15	300
16-20	363
21-25	375
26-30	350
31-35	375
36-40	250
41+	488

Large Firm Size Variable Table

Years in Practice	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	197
1-3	225
3-5	250
6-10	263
11-15	471
16-20	700
21-25	350
26-30	627
31-35	547
36-40	700
41+	600

## Michigan

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.63
Median Years in Practice	16.5
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	77.9
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	.86
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	23.46
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	100
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	325
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	250
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	300
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	400
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	575
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	300
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	300
Median Attorney Rate in Northern Area of State	375
Median Attorney Rate in Southern Area of State	300
Median Attorney Rate in Eastern Area of State	300
Median Attorney Rate in Western Area of State	300
Median Attorney Rate in Central Area of State	388

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	25% Median	Median	95% Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	225	250	550
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	300	375	575
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	250	350	588
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	250	338	550
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	300	400	525
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	250	350	600
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	200	275	350

## Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	200
1-3	275
3-5	275
6-10	250
11-15	300
16-20	375
21-25	350
26-30	450
31-35	383
36-40	350
41+	375

Specialty Variable Table

Percentage of Consumer Law Practice	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
100	338
90	425
80	300
70	250
60	350
50	225

Small Firm Size Variable Table

Years in Practice	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	250
1-3	263
3-5	275
6-10	313
11-15	375
16-20	350
21-25	300
26-30	400
31-35	383
36-40	350
41+	375

Large Firm Size Variable Table

Years in Practice	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	200
1-3	275
3-5	275
6-10	250
11-15	325
16-20	450
21-25	450
26-30	525
31-35	525
36-40	700
41+	550

## Minnesota

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.05
Median Years in Practice	21.5
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	76.0
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	.8
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	22.5
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	125
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	336
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	275
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	400
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	500
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	350
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	400
Median Attorney Rate in Northern Area of State	338
Median Attorney Rate in Southern Area of State	338
Median Attorney Rate in Eastern Area of State	300
Median Attorney Rate in Western Area of State	338
Median Attorney Rate in Central Area of State	350

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	25% Median	Median	95% Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	225	338	375
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	275	325	500
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	300	350	525
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	250	300	425
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	275	350	525
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	275	350	525
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	200	400	475

## Mississippi

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	1,71
Median Years in Practice	18.5
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	31.4
Primary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Secondary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.71
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	22.3
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	75
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	304
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	225
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	300
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	500
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	300
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	275
Median Attorney Rate in Northern Area of State	375
Median Attorney Rate in Southern Area of State	300
Median Attorney Rate in Eastern Area of State	300
Median Attorney Rate in Western Area of State	500
Median Attorney Rate in Central Area of State	325

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	25% Median	Median	95% Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	200	275	375
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	350	425	550
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	225	300	525
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	244	300	525
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	300	400	513
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	300	350	500
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	325	350	500

## Missouri

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	1.88
Median Years in Practice	14.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	63.6
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	2.02
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	21.12
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	100
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	347
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	275
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	425
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	575
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	350
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	325
Median Attorney Rate in Northern Area of State	400
Median Attorney Rate in Southern Area of State	400
Median Attorney Rate in Eastern Area of State	350
Median Attorney Rate in Western Area of State	350
Median Attorney Rate in Central Area of State	388

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	25% Median	Median	95% Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	200	250	375
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	325	400	825
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	275	350	613
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	238	300	475
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	275	350	500
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	300	400	725
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	275	363	50

## Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	200
1-3	250
3-5	275
6-10	350
11-15	350
16-20	400
21-25	400
26-30	388
31-35	375
36-40	388
41+	375

Specialty Variable Table

Percentage of Consumer Law Practice	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
100	375
90	475
80	300
70	400
60	300
50	350

Small Firm Size Variable Table

Years in Practice	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	200
1-3	250
3-5	275
6-10	350
11-15	350
16-20	400
21-25	350
26-30	375
31-35	383
36-40	375
41+	450

Large Firm Size Variable Table

Years in Practice	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	225
1-3	250
3-5	288
6-10	350
11-15	350
16-20	400
21-25	450
26-30	463
31-35	525
36-40	600
41+	550

## Montana

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.47
Median Years in Practice	20.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	78.0
Primary Practice Area	Personal Injury
Secondary Practice Area	General Practice
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.2
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	24.78
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	93
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	250
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	200
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	275
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	400
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	450
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	225
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	275
Median Attorney Rate in Northern Area of State	300
Median Attorney Rate in Southern Area of State	225
Median Attorney Rate in Eastern Area of State	213
Median Attorney Rate in Western Area of State	250
Median Attorney Rate in Central Area of State	275

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	25% Median	Median	95% Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	226	275	313
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	200	300	425
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	225	250	425
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	175	250	400
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	188	338	400
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	275	325	408
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	175	300	400

## Nebraska

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.22
Median Years in Practice	17.5
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	78.9
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Employment Law
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	.44
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	29.64
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	125
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	312
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	225
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	300
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	388
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	675
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	275
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	275
Median Attorney Rate in Northern Area of State	300
Median Attorney Rate in Southern Area of State	300
Median Attorney Rate in Eastern Area of State	275
Median Attorney Rate in Western Area of State	300
Median Attorney Rate in Central Area of State	300

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	25% Median	Median	95% Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	140	150	300
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	275	325	413
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	225	325	400
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	188	275	400
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	200	275	425
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	200	275	400
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	200	275	350

## Nevada

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.33
Median Years in Practice	23.5
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	77.8
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.22
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	15.66
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	140
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	404
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	450
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	525
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	600
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	450
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	350
Median Attorney Rate in Northern Area of State	350
Median Attorney Rate in Southern Area of State	450
Median Attorney Rate in Eastern Area of State	350
Median Attorney Rate in Western Area of State	450
Median Attorney Rate in Central Area of State	450

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	25% Median	Median	95% Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	275	475	525
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	400	500	625
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	288	450	613
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	250	413	513
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	450	500	550
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	450	500	575
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	350	450	525

## New Hampshire

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.33
Median Years in Practice	34.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	81.1
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Personal Injury
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.56
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	26
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	117
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	358
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	275
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	500
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	550
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	300
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	350
Median Attorney Rate in Northern Area of State	388
Median Attorney Rate in Southern Area of State	325
Median Attorney Rate in Eastern Area of State	288
Median Attorney Rate in Western Area of State	388
Median Attorney Rate in Central Area of State	350

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	25% Median	Median	95% Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	298	350	438
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	213	388	525
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	275	356	500
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	250	350	425
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	350	450	550
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	250	425	525
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	225	335	500

## New Jersey

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.67
Median Years in Practice	13.5
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	78.1
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.39
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	19.02
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	150
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	404
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	325
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	500
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	875
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	363
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	350
Median Attorney Rate in Northern Area of State	350
Median Attorney Rate in Southern Area of State	350
Median Attorney Rate in Eastern Area of State	400
Median Attorney Rate in Western Area of State	375
Median Attorney Rate in Central Area of State	350

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	25% Median	Median	95% Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	275	338	550
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	356	425	593
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	325	363	775
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	331	350	550
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	331	350	525
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	350	388	613
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	250	425	525

## Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	175
1-3	250
3-5	350
6-10	375
11-15	375
16-20	388
21-25	425
26-30	500
31-35	575
36-40	450
41+	550

Specialty Variable Table

Percentage of Consumer Law Practice	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
100	400
90	425
80	400
70	400
60	675
50	425

Small Firm Size Variable Table

Years in Practice	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	175
1-3	250
3-5	350
6-10	363
11-15	375
16-20	400
21-25	375
26-30	500
31-35	850
36-40	550
41+	500

Large Firm Size Variable Table

Years in Practice	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	200
1-3	250
3-5	288
6-10	325
11-15	525
16-20	600
21-25	475
26-30	475
31-35	500
36-40	400
41+	400

## New Mexico

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.0
Median Years in Practice	18.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	55.6
Primary Practice Area	General Practice
Secondary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.16
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	30.72
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	90
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	269
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	200
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	250
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	469
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	250
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	250
Median Attorney Rate in Northern Area of State	300
Median Attorney Rate in Southern Area of State	225
Median Attorney Rate in Eastern Area of State	225
Median Attorney Rate in Western Area of State	225
Median Attorney Rate in Central Area of State	238

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	25% Median	Median	95% Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	200	350	406
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	175	250	406
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	200	225	469
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	200	220	475
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	175	300	475
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	200	225	475
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	250	350	400

## New York

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.06
Median Years in Practice	17.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	52.9
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.55
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	29.88
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	136
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	431
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	300
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	375
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	525
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	850
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	425
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	250
Median Attorney Rate in Northern Area of State	300
Median Attorney Rate in Southern Area of State	400
Median Attorney Rate in Eastern Area of State	400
Median Attorney Rate in Western Area of State	300
Median Attorney Rate in Central Area of State	300

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	25% Median	Median	95% Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	300	400	600
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	300	375	1031
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	294	350	600
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	300	363	700
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	294	350	583
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	294	350	606
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	294	500	644

## Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	350
1-3	350
3-5	300
6-10	300
11-15	400
16-20	400
21-25	350
26-30	375
31-35	475
36-40	400
41+	550

Specialty Variable Table

Percentage of Consumer Law Practice	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
100	300
90	475
80	450
70	350
60	563
50	475

Small Firm Size Variable Table

Years in Practice	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	275
1-3	275
3-5	225
6-10	300
11-15	350
16-20	375
21-25	375
26-30	375
31-35	475
36-40	375
41+	550

Large Firm Size Variable Table

Years in Practice	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	200
1-3	225
3-5	375
6-10	400
11-15	525
16-20	600
21-25	513
26-30	500
31-35	600
36-40	575
41+	600

## North Carolina

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.7
Median Years in Practice	13.5
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	57.4
Primary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Secondary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.96
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	26.88
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	88
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	334
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	275
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	325
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	400
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	650
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	325
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	306
Median Attorney Rate in Northern Area of State	353
Median Attorney Rate in Southern Area of State	369
Median Attorney Rate in Eastern Area of State	316
Median Attorney Rate in Western Area of State	353
Median Attorney Rate in Central Area of State	342

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	25% Median	Median	95% Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	250	330	675
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	300	392	675
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	288	362	725
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	350	400	750
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	300	400	675
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	350	429	750
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	350	425	575

## Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	225
1-3	288
3-5	275
6-10	300
11-15	375
16-20	375
21-25	400
26-30	388
31-35	400
36-40	438
41+	550

Specialty Variable Table

Percentage of Consumer Law Practice	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
100	350
90	325
80	425
70	350
60	700
50	400

Small Firm Size Variable Table

Years in Practice	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	225
1-3	275
3-5	288
6-10	300
11-15	375
16-20	375
21-25	375
26-30	375
31-35	400
36-40	400
41+	425

Large Firm Size Variable Table

Years in Practice	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	200
1-3	275
3-5	288
6-10	300
11-15	388
16-20	450
21-25	538
26-30	350
31-35	400
36-40	450
41+	400

## North Dakota

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.08
Median Years in Practice	25.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	63.1
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Personal Injury
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.77
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	30.48
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	132
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	381
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	306
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	400
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	475
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	525
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	375
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	400
Median Attorney Rate in Northern Area of State	350
Median Attorney Rate in Southern Area of State	400
Median Attorney Rate in Eastern Area of State	375
Median Attorney Rate in Western Area of State	400
Median Attorney Rate in Central Area of State	400

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	25% Median	Median	95% Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	350	500	525
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	306	400	494
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	275	375	500
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	250	400	506
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	325	400	500
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	306	400	500
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	250	400	433

## Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	175
1-3	250
3-5	288
6-10	338
11-15	350
16-20	388
21-25	400
26-30	400
31-35	338
36-40	350
41+	500

## Ohio

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.94
Median Years in Practice	13.5
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	64.0
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Personal Injury
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.9
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	21.9
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	100
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	360
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	250
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	450
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	575
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	300
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	275
Median Attorney Rate in Northern Area of State	375
Median Attorney Rate in Southern Area of State	350
Median Attorney Rate in Eastern Area of State	375
Median Attorney Rate in Western Area of State	375
Median Attorney Rate in Central Area of State	338

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	25% Median	Median	95% Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	244	325	488
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	300	375	594
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	250	350	563
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	244	350	550
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	281	375	544
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	331	425	556
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	256	338	525

## Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	244
1-3	244
3-5	258
6-10	338
11-15	370
16-20	438
21-25	405
26-30	443
31-35	450
36-40	363
41+	416

Specialty Variable Table

Percentage of Consumer Law Practice	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
100	361
90	403
80	409
70	375
60	360
50	400

Small Firm Size Variable Table

Years in Practice	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	275
1-3	243
3-5	252
6-10	348
11-15	387
16-20	427
21-25	402
26-30	417
31-35	461
36-40	361
41+	404

Large Firm Size Variable Table

Years in Practice	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	213
1-3	245
3-5	267
6-10	323
11-15	335
16-20	459
21-25	425
26-30	495
31-35	435
36-40	361
41+	550

## Oklahoma

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.21
Median Years in Practice	13.5
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	66.4
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	2.29
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	21.42
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	119
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	329
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	212
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	288
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	438
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	625
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	288
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	325
Median Attorney Rate in Northern Area of State	350
Median Attorney Rate in Southern Area of State	338
Median Attorney Rate in Eastern Area of State	325
Median Attorney Rate in Western Area of State	300
Median Attorney Rate in Central Area of State	250

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	25% Median	Median	95% Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	169	200	275
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	275	363	624
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	244	325	538
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	175	263	475
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	244	325	475
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	338	475	650
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	200	275	463

## Oregon

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.12
Median Years in Practice	16.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	53.5
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	2.41
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	24.0
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	99
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	365
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	256
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	450
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	600
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	350
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	338
Median Attorney Rate in Northern Area of State	350
Median Attorney Rate in Southern Area of State	375
Median Attorney Rate in Eastern Area of State	425
Median Attorney Rate in Western Area of State	350
Median Attorney Rate in Central Area of State	413

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	25% Median	Median	95% Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	275	375	425
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	256	425	600
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	275	338	425
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	269	350	400
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	238	275	325
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	275	325	375
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	263	350	550

## Pennsylvania

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.02
Median Years in Practice	18.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	70.8
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.68
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	23.88
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	140
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	416
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	300
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	400
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	438
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	718
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	400
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	400
Median Attorney Rate in Northern Area of State	400
Median Attorney Rate in Southern Area of State	425
Median Attorney Rate in Eastern Area of State	400
Median Attorney Rate in Western Area of State	388
Median Attorney Rate in Central Area of State	400

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	25% Median	Median	95% Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	225	325	700
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	350	425	975
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	238	400	700
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	269	375	700
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	280	363	700
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	350	425	700
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	350	425	500

## Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	200
1-3	250
3-5	250
6-10	300
11-15	400
16-20	450
21-25	425
26-30	350
31-35	325
36-40	425
41+	700

Specialty Variable Table

Percentage of Consumer Law Practice	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
100	425
90	375
80	463
70	425
60	1000
50	400

Small Firm Size Variable Table

Years in Practice	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	200
1-3	250
3-5	250
6-10	300
11-15	350
16-20	438
21-25	363
26-30	350
31-35	325
36-40	425
41+	600

Large Firm Size Variable Table

Years in Practice	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	225
1-3	250
3-5	300
6-10	313
11-15	400
16-20	475
21-25	675
26-30	566
31-35	546
36-40	425
41+	700

## Puerto Rico

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	1.21
Median Years in Practice	28.5
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	46.7
Primary Practice Area	General Practice
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	.71
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	43.26
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	90
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	275
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	400
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	450
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	350
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	375
Median Attorney Rate in Northern Area of State	350
Median Attorney Rate in Southern Area of State	375
Median Attorney Rate in Eastern Area of State	375
Median Attorney Rate in Western Area of State	375
Median Attorney Rate in Central Area of State	375

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	25% Median	Median	95% Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	175	250	325
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	200	375	400
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	275	400	450
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	237	350	406
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	200	225	225
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	225	388	413
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	219	331	370

## Rhode Island

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.74
Median Years in Practice	25.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	32.7
Primary Practice Area	General Practice
Secondary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	2.16
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	30.0
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	130
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	365
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	250
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	300
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	500
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	550
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	300
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	350
Median Attorney Rate in Northern Area of State	300
Median Attorney Rate in Southern Area of State	300
Median Attorney Rate in Eastern Area of State	300
Median Attorney Rate in Western Area of State	350
Median Attorney Rate in Central Area of State	325

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	25% Median	Median	95% Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	125	225	300
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	275	500	550
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	244	300	550
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	250	300	425
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	263	325	550
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	250	500	550
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	250	325	550

## South Carolina

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	1.84
Median Years in Practice	16.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	65.6
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.4
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	18.24
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	100
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	303
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	250
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	300
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	356
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	425
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	300
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	300
Median Attorney Rate in Northern Area of State	338
Median Attorney Rate in Southern Area of State	325
Median Attorney Rate in Eastern Area of State	313
Median Attorney Rate in Western Area of State	313
Median Attorney Rate in Central Area of State	313

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	25% Median	Median	95% Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	250	300	400
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	283	325	412
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	225	325	450
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	250	300	450
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	275	325	450
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	300	338	450
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	264	400	435

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## South Dakota

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.13
Median Years in Practice	15.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	64.7
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Criminal Law
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	.7
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	32.4
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	90
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	295
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	194
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	275
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	381
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	506
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	250
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	288
Median Attorney Rate in Northern Area of State	275
Median Attorney Rate in Southern Area of State	250
Median Attorney Rate in Eastern Area of State	275
Median Attorney Rate in Western Area of State	288
Median Attorney Rate in Central Area of State	350

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	25% Median	Median	95% Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	200	250	375
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	200	250	400
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	200	263	500
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	200	263	500
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	200	250	500
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	194	250	500
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	200	250	400

## Tennessee

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.47
Median Years in Practice	17.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	53.2
Primary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Secondary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.21
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	16.08
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	117
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	340
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	250
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	300
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	475
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	625
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	300
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	350
Median Attorney Rate in Northern Area of State	400
Median Attorney Rate in Southern Area of State	325
Median Attorney Rate in Eastern Area of State	325
Median Attorney Rate in Western Area of State	313
Median Attorney Rate in Central Area of State	350

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	25% Median	Median	95% Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	231	275	350
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	400	450	625
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	281	350	625
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	263	300	500
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	325	400	500
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	325	375	625
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	250	300	375

## Texas

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.72
Median Years in Practice	16.5
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	72.8
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.43
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	24.24
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	127
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	372
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	288
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	413
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	713
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	350
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	375
Median Attorney Rate in Northern Area of State	375
Median Attorney Rate in Southern Area of State	375
Median Attorney Rate in Eastern Area of State	350
Median Attorney Rate in Western Area of State	350
Median Attorney Rate in Central Area of State	350

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	25% Median	Median	95% Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	288	350	725
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	325	388	825
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	294	350	700
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	238	338	725
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	288	375	700
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	338	400	825
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	325	375	675

## Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	225
1-3	225
3-5	292
6-10	325
11-15	375
16-20	375
21-25	300
26-30	275
31-35	450
36-40	500
41+	500

Specialty Variable Table

Percentage of Consumer Law Practice	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
100	350
90	438
80	338
70	375
60	225
50	325

Small Firm Size Variable Table

Years in Practice	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	225
1-3	225
3-5	350
6-10	300
11-15	375
16-20	363
21-25	300
26-30	350
31-35	450
36-40	350
41+	500

Large Firm Size Variable Table

Years in Practice	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	250
1-3	275
3-5	338
6-10	375
11-15	388
16-20	400
21-25	400
26-30	350
31-35	350
36-40	450
41+	438

## Utah

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.15
Median Years in Practice	16.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	25.9
Primary Practice Area	General Practice
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	2.93
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	31.14
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	117
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	261
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	213
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	275
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	331
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	275
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	288
Median Attorney Rate in Northern Area of State	275
Median Attorney Rate in Southern Area of State	250
Median Attorney Rate in Eastern Area of State	250
Median Attorney Rate in Western Area of State	250
Median Attorney Rate in Central Area of State	275

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	25% Median	Median	95% Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	175	250	350
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	275	313	363
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	175	238	350
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	156	225	350
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	181	225	350
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	194	250	325
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	181	275	350

## Vermont

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.91
Median Years in Practice	29.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	39.7
Primary Practice Area	General Practice
Secondary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	.19
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	40.56
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	87
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	313
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	256
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	275
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	433
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	288
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	275
Median Attorney Rate in Northern Area of State	275
Median Attorney Rate in Southern Area of State	288
Median Attorney Rate in Eastern Area of State	288
Median Attorney Rate in Western Area of State	275
Median Attorney Rate in Central Area of State	275

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	25% Median	Median	95% Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	225	288	525
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	269	338	525
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	244	275	531
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	256	275	525
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	257	275	513
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	256	288	425
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	244	275	513

## Virgin Islands U.S.

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.87
Median Years in Practice	25.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	40.0
Primary Practice Area	General Practice
Secondary Practice Area	Personal Injury
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.6
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	36.42
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	83
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	288
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	175
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	325
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	375
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	425
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	325
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	325
Median Attorney Rate in Northern Area of State	325
Median Attorney Rate in Southern Area of State	325
Median Attorney Rate in Eastern Area of State	325
Median Attorney Rate in Western Area of State	325
Median Attorney Rate in Central Area of State	325

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	25% Median	Median	95% Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	250	300	575
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	325	350	640
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	325	350	640
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	325	350	640
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	225	275	350
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	150	225	325
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	150	238	450

## Virginia

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	1.88
Median Years in Practice	21.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	46.2
Primary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Secondary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.35
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	27.72
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	136
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	392
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	294
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	487
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	692
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	350
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	388
Median Attorney Rate in Northern Area of State	400
Median Attorney Rate in Southern Area of State	450
Median Attorney Rate in Eastern Area of State	325
Median Attorney Rate in Western Area of State	400
Median Attorney Rate in Central Area of State	325

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	25% Median	Median	95% Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	288	300	475
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	463	550	700
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	294	425	694
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	288	475	675
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	244	450	675
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	463	550	700
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	211	250	365

## Washington

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.88
Median Years in Practice	13.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	62.8
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.35
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	22.74
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	132
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	335
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	258
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	406
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	494
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	350
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	350
Median Attorney Rate in Northern Area of State	350
Median Attorney Rate in Southern Area of State	338
Median Attorney Rate in Eastern Area of State	350
Median Attorney Rate in Western Area of State	350
Median Attorney Rate in Central Area of State	350

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	25% Median	Median	95% Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	244	275	363
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	294	350	494
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	288	350	425
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	256	350	394
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	244	300	344
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	300	350	500
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	325	375	413

## Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	175
1-3	250
3-5	288
6-10	325
11-15	350
16-20	350
21-25	375
26-30	400
31-35	388
36-40	375
41+	375

Specialty Variable Table

Percentage of Consumer Law Practice	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
100	350
90	350
80	350
70	263
60	388
50	250

Small Firm Size Variable Table

Years in Practice	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	175
1-3	250
3-5	275
6-10	300
11-15	400
16-20	350
21-25	350
26-30	400
31-35	350
36-40	375
41+	500

Large Firm Size Variable Table

Years in Practice	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	200
1-3	250
3-5	300
6-10	388
11-15	400
16-20	400
21-25	400
26-30	425
31-35	438
36-40	450
41+	450

## West Virginia

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.67
Median Years in Practice	23.5
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	68.9
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	General Practice
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.06
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	27.66
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	113
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	328
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	244
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	300
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	456
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	550
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	313
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	300
Median Attorney Rate in Northern Area of State	300
Median Attorney Rate in Southern Area of State	300
Median Attorney Rate in Eastern Area of State	300
Median Attorney Rate in Western Area of State	300
Median Attorney Rate in Central Area of State	300

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	25% Median	Median	95% Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	231	250	400
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	283	375	463
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	256	325	550
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	250	338	425
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	244	300	450
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	256	350	425
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	175	313	450

## Wisconsin

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.29
Median Years in Practice	14.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	89.7
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.26
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	14.52
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	125
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	351
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	250
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	425
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	550
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	350
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	350
Median Attorney Rate in Northern Area of State	375
Median Attorney Rate in Southern Area of State	350
Median Attorney Rate in Eastern Area of State	350
Median Attorney Rate in Western Area of State	4375
Median Attorney Rate in Central Area of State	400

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	25% Median	Median	95% Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	213	238	500
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	350	400	600
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	275	350	575
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	225	263	425
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	250	363	450
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	350	425	600
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	350	433	450

## Wyoming

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.14
Median Years in Practice	25.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	32.9
Primary Practice Area	General Practice
Secondary Practice Area	Other
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	.93
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	44.42
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	116
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	254
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	194
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	250
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	318
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	338
Median Metropolitan Attorney Rate	250
Median Non-Metropolitan Attorney Rate	250
Median Attorney Rate in Northern Area of State	225
Median Attorney Rate in Southern Area of State	250
Median Attorney Rate in Eastern Area of State	250
Median Attorney Rate in Western Area of State	225
Median Attorney Rate in Central Area of State	225

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	25% Median	Median	95% Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	181	238	294
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	-	-	-
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	188	238	294
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	175	238	294
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	188	238	300
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	175	275	300
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	188	250	312

## 4. Metropolitan Area Tables

## Billable Attorney and Paralegal Data County By Metro Area

<i><b>State</b></i>	<i><b>City</b></i>	<i><b>Billable Attorney Data Count</b></i>	<i><b>Billable Paralegal Data Count</b></i>
Alabama	Birmingham, Hoover	12	17
	Huntsville	48	30
	Mobile	24	26
	Montgomery	44	32
Alaska	Anchorage	25	23
	Fairbanks	22	21
	Juneau	23	21
Arizona	Flagstaff	48	29
	Phoenix, Mesa, Scottsdale	48	29
	Tucson	37	23
	Yuma	38	25
Arkansas	Fayetteville	25	31
	Little Rock, North Little Rock	31	32
	Texarkana	26	30
California	Bakersfield	18	31
	Fresno, Madera	68	80
	Los Angeles, Long Beach, Anaheim	91	157
	Riverside, San Bernardino	96	159

	Sacramento, Roseville	104	108
	San Diego	22	39
	San Francisco	76	117
	San Jose, Santa Clara	32	51
Colorado	Colorado Springs	26	27
	Denver, Aurora	25	34
	Fort Collins, Loveland	62	53
Connecticut	Bridgeport, Stamford, Norwalk	22	38
	New Haven, Milford	29	48
	Hartford	29	48
Delaware	Dover	10	10
	Wilmington, New Caastle, Newark	11	2
Florida	Cape Coral, Fort Myers	58	83
	Jacksonville	43	58
	Miami, Fort Lauderdale	61	83
	Pensacola	45	58
	Tallahassee	22	35
	Tampa, St. Petersburg	61	72
	Orlando	54	67
Georgia	Atlanta	27	32
	Augusta	22	21
	Macon	20	21
	Savannah	29	30
Hawaii	Honolulu	23	50
Idaho	Boise City	15	4
	Idaho Falls	14	4

Illinois	Chicago	58	89
	Rockford	68	106
	Springfield	25	49
	St Louis Metro East	17	34
Indiana	Fort Wayne	25	54
	Gary, Hammond	26	56
	Indianapolis	14	25
	South Bend, Elkhart, Mishawaka	29	61
	Terre Haute	16	31
Iowa	Cedar Rapids	17	7
	Des Moines	16	7
	Dubuque	17	7
Kansas	Kansas City	8	15
	Wichita	5	9
Kentucky	Lexington	8	18
	Louisville	9	17
Louisiana	Baton Rouge	15	11
	New Orleans	17	11
	Shreveport	16	11
Maine	Bangor	14	23
	Portland	14	23
Maryland	Baltimore	13	13
Massachusetts	Boston, Cambridge	18	6
	Springfield	17	15
Michigan	Detroit	46	35
	Flint	42	32

	Grand Rapids	29	31
	Kalamazoo, Portage	40	38
	Lansing	36	31
	Marquette	24	31
Minnesota	Duluth	17	13
	Minneapolis, St. Paul	20	16
Mississippi	Gulfport, Biloxi	12	18
	Jackson	9	13
Missouri	Columbia	32	26
	Kansas City	45	45
	Springfield	29	36
	St Louis	39	33
Montana	Billings	11	10
	Missoula	14	17
Nebraska	Lincoln	20	10
	Omaha	20	10
Nevada	Las Vegas	16	16
	Reno, Carson City	8	7
New Hampshire	Manchester	15	14
New Jersey	Newark	36	36
	Trenton	22	19
New Mexico	Albuquerque, Santa Fe	24	28
	Farmington	19	17
	Las Cruces	24	28
New York	Albany, Schenectady	80	129
	Buffalo, Niagara Falls	39	27
	New York City	83	139

	Rochester	25	26
	Syracuse	32	26
North Carolina	Asheville	44	100
	Charlotte	46	102
	Fayetteville	47	105
	Greensboro	34	84
	Raleigh	33	82
North Dakota	Bismarck	9	14
	Fargo	6	10
	Grand Forks	4	6
Ohio	Cincinnati	127	273
	Cleveland	77	151
	Columbus	72	211
	Toledo	162	317
Oklahoma	Oklahoma City	9	12
	Tulsa	7	12
Oregon	Eugene	15	22
	Portland	16	22
Pennsylvania	Erie	38	69
	Harrisburg, Carlisle	41	71
	Philadelphia	51	94
	Pittsburgh	43	62
	Scranton	52	91
Puerto Rico	San Juan	21	10
Rhode Island	Providence	18	21
South Carolina	Charleston	22	31
	Columbia	10	14

	Greenville, Spartanburg, Anderson	9	14
South Dakota	Rapid City	12	16
	Sioux Falls	14	16
Tennessee	Chattanooga	22	38
	Knoxville	24	40
	Memphis	17	27
	Nashville	18	36
Texas	Amarillo	23	41
	Austin	34	46
	Dallas, Fort Worth	26	30
	El Paso	32	43
	Houston	30	46
	San Antonio	32	42
Utah	Provo-Orem	20	63
	Salt Lake City	25	78
	St. George	19	58
Vermont	Burlington	30	4
Virginia	Alexandria, Arlington	10	12
	Charlottesville	17	19
	Richmond	8	9
	Norfolk, Virginia Beach	23	33
Washington	Richland, Kennewick, Pasco	36	50
	Seattle, Tacoma	52	71
	Spokane	36	50
	Yakima	34	51
West Virginia	Charleston	12	10

	Huntington	12	10
	Morgantown	14	17
Wisconsin	Eau Claire	21	25
	Madison	28	37
	Milwaukee	26	35
Wyoming	Casper	7	0
	Cheyenne	14	13

## Explanation of Table

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	The typical firm size in this metro area.
Median Years in Practice	The median number of years that all attorneys in this city area have been in practice.
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	The largest percentage group, expressed as a percentage in the midpoint of all percentile ranges (90-100% is represented as 95% in the table).
Primary Practice Area	The area of law comprising the largest percentage of the practice work.
Secondary Practice Area	The largest practice area outside of the primary practice area; more than one may be listed.
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	The average number resulting from all survey responses of this metropolis area.
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	The median number, expressed in months.
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	Expressed in dollars.
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	Expressed in dollars. Note that this is not the “median.”
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	25% of all survey responses are below this number, expressed in dollars.
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	Half of all survey responses are above this number and half below, expressed in dollars.
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	75% of all survey responses are below this number, expressed in dollars.
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	5% of all survey responses are above this number, expressed in dollars.

## Median Rates for Practice Areas in Consumer Law

Median Rate for Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	For all attorneys handling this specific niche area of Consumer Law, half of all survey responses are above this number and half are below
Median Rate for Attorneys Handling Class Action Case	For all attorneys handling this specific niche area of Consumer Law, half of all survey responses are above this number and half are below
Median Rate for Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	For all attorneys handling this specific niche area of Consumer Law, half of all survey responses are above this number and half are below
Median Rate for Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	For all attorneys handling this specific niche area of Consumer Law, half of all survey responses are above this number and half are below
Median Rate for Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	For all attorneys handling this specific niche area of Consumer Law, half of all survey responses are above this number and half are below
Median Rate for Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	For all attorneys handling this specific niche area of Consumer Law, half of all survey responses are above this number and half are below
Median Rate for Attorneys Handling Other Cases	For all attorneys handling a niche area of Consumer Law not defined in the preceding six areas, half of all survey responses are above this number and half are below

Metropolitan areas listed in this section appear alphabetically by state and not merely by the name of the city since the name may appear in more than one state. Thus, metropolitan areas in Alabama lead the list and metropolitan areas in Wisconsin are at the end of the list.

Following each Metropolitan Area Summaries Table is the Median Rates for Practice Areas table, as explained in the chart above. After that there appears the Experience Variable Table which provides attorney hourly rates by years in practice for that Metropolitan Area. Combined, these tables are intended to provide the reader with a quick and easy snapshot of the data as viewed in the narrow metropolitan approach to the data. The Experience Variable Table also may provide a view of the average hourly rates for an attorney as measured simply by years in practice, but all three metropolitan tables should also be considered in making such a determination.

Of course, the years in practice of an attorney is often deemed related to the experience level of an attorney and is also one of the traditional ways of determining the reasonableness of a particular attorney's hourly rate.

The years in practice alone may not be a sufficient basis, by itself, to consider a particular hourly rate to be reasonable in a particular case. Other factors also relate to the determination of a reasonable hourly rate in a particular case.

In this section of the Survey Report, the only data included is from attorneys who indicated they practiced in the metropolitan area. Non-metropolitan area data was excluded. However, where the survey participant indicated they practiced in both metropolitan and non-metropolitan areas at the same hourly rate, their data was included in the metropolitan reporting below.

A non-metropolitan data report by years in practice can be made available upon request. However, case law indicates that the hourly rate for the jurisdiction at hand often applies to an attorney's hourly rate when practicing in that jurisdiction, rather than the hourly rate for their office location.

## Alabama, Birmingham - Hoover

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	1.8
Median Years in Practice	8.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	66.0
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	12.0
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	.6
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	100
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	260
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	138
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	300
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	325
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	200
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	313
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	350
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	313
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	313

## Experience Variable Table

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Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	100
1-3	100
3-5	175
6-10	275
11-15	300
16-20	338
21-25	325
26-30	338
31-35	350
36-40	350
41+	325

## Alabama, Huntsville

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.5
Median Years in Practice	23.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	66.7
Primary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Secondary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	21.48
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.67
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	113
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	302
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	200
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	313
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	375
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	625

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	488
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	423
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	350
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	625
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	423

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	100
1-3	100
3-5	125
6-10	275
11-15	325
16-20	275
21-25	325
26-30	375
31-35	313
36-40	400
41+	425

## Alabama, Mobile

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	1.8
Median Years in Practice	22.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	70.0
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Estate Planning
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	12.0
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.8
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	75
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	270
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	200
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	250
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	331
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	200
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	250
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	225
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	350
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	260

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	175
1-3	225
3-5	225
6-10	275
11-15	250
16-20	275
21-25	350
26-30	275
31-35	375
36-40	400
41+	500

## Alabama, Montgomery

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	1.57
Median Years in Practice	22.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	50.0
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	12.0
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.71
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	67
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	250
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	175
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	225
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	342
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	375

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	200
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	250
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	225
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	350
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	275

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	100
1-3	100
3-5	225
6-10	275
11-15	325
16-20	275
21-25	325
26-30	288
31-35	325
36-40	400
41+	500

## Alaska, Anchorage

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	1.67
Median Years in Practice	24.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	45.3
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Personal Injury
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	37.62
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.13
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	121
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	320
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	225
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	325
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	425
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	475

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	250
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	338
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	338
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	250
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	300

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	125
1-3	125
3-5	250
6-10	300
11-15	300
16-20	325
21-25	288
26-30	350
31-35	375
36-40	350
41+	500

## Alaska, Fairbanks

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	1.69
Median Years in Practice	25.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	59.5
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Personal Injury
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	39.72
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.23
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	127
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	341
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	281
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	325
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	425
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	481

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	250
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	338
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	338
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	500
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	325

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	104
1-3	125
3-5	275
6-10	275
11-15	288
16-20	308
21-25	271
26-30	333
31-35	360
36-40	332
41+	475

## Alaska, Juneau

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	1.64
Median Years in Practice	22.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	45.7
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Personal Injury
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	36.42
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.0
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	118
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	307
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	213
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	313
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	375
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	400

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	250
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	338
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	325
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	188
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	325

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	125
1-3	138
3-5	256
6-10	331
11-15	356
16-20	369
21-25	306
26-30	306
31-35	381
36-40	356
41+	450

## Arizona, Flagstaff

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.5
Median Years in Practice	13.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	70.0
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	17.28
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	2.25
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	141
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	335
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	288
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	375
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	463
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	490

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	413
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	475
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	400
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	413
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	404

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	175
1-3	250
3-5	350
6-10	450
11-15	310
16-20	350
21-25	350
26-30	425
31-35	561
36-40	300
41+	500

## Arizona, Phoenix - Mesa - Scottsdale

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.5
Median Years in Practice	16.5
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	70.0
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	17.28
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	2.25
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	126
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	335
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	300
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	375
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	475
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	500

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	413
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	475
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	400
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	413
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	343

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	175
1-3	250
3-5	350
6-10	400
11-15	413
16-20	350
21-25	428
26-30	425
31-35	485
36-40	394
41+	500

## Arizona, Tucson

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.7
Median Years in Practice	18.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	94.4
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	16.02
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.44
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	140
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	370
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	425
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	488
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	490

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	450
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	438
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	475
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	413
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	425
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	434

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	250
1-3	250
3-5	288
6-10	413
11-15	400
16-20	388
21-25	475
26-30	425
31-35	459
36-40	675
41+	500

## Arizona, Yuma

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.6
Median Years in Practice	19.5
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	93.0
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	18.0
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.5
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	151
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	378
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	356
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	438
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	475
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	590

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	444
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	406
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	450
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	475
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	413
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	425
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	435

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	250
1-3	250
3-5	288
6-10	420
11-15	350
16-20	350
21-25	425
26-30	438
31-35	475
36-40	550
41+	450

## Arkansas, Fayetteville - Springdale - Rogers

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.36
Median Years in Practice	11.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	50.8
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	General Practice
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	30.48
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	.64
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	89
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	283
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	225
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	275
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	313
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	625

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	250
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	238
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	263
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	300

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	163
1-3	175
3-5	188
6-10	250
11-15	300
16-20	400
21-25	363
26-30	296
31-35	282
36-40	300
41+	375

## Arkansas, Little Rock - North Little Rock

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	1.81
Median Years in Practice	9.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	55.2
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy, Domestic Relations
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	26.88
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	.45
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	107
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	268
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	200
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	275
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	319
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	438

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	225
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	225
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	238
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	238
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	350

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	175
1-3	225
3-5	225
6-10	238
11-15	263
16-20	350
21-25	363
26-30	288
31-35	282
36-40	300
41+	375

## Arkansas, Texarkana

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.1936
Median Years in Practice	13.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	54.2
Primary Practice Area	General Practice
Secondary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	31.38
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	.58
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	92
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	290
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	225
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	275
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	319
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	638

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	238
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	238
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	275
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	300

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	175
1-3	200
3-5	238
6-10	300
11-15	313
16-20	325
21-25	300
26-30	300
31-35	282
36-40	300
41+	300

## California, Bakersfield

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.70
Median Years in Practice	14.8
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	75.1
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	23.69
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.05
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	113
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	317
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	243
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	297
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	393
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	516

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	281
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	281
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	337
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	262

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Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	135
1-3	190
3-5	225
6-10	300
11-15	300
16-20	375
21-25	375
26-30	441
31-35	450
36-40	450
41+	388

## California, Fresno - Madera

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.81
Median Years in Practice	17.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	88.7
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	16.08
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.18
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	152
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	442
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	344
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	425
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	575
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	706

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	500
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	450
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	450
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	350

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	175
1-3	250
3-5	250
6-10	400
11-15	400
16-20	500
21-25	575
26-30	625
31-35	650
36-40	500
41+	500

## California, Los Angeles - Long Beach - Anaheim

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.75
Median Years in Practice	17.65
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	80.8
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	General Practice
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	16.25
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.85
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	120
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	547
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	383
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	534
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	611
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	787

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	450
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	562
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	450
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	506
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	569
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	478
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	450

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	225
1-3	281
3-5	310
6-10	506
11-15	478
16-20	562
21-25	534
26-30	700
31-35	731
36-40	674
41+	562

## California, Riverside - San Bernardino

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	done 2.74
Median Years in Practice	15.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	89.8
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	16.92
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.25
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	144
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	423
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	325
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	396
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	525
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	688

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	500
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	450
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	350

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	175
1-3	250
3-5	275
6-10	400
11-15	375
16-20	500
21-25	500
26-30	588
31-35	600
36-40	600
41+	500

## California, Sacramento - Roseville

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.62
Median Years in Practice	15.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	73.3
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	16.26
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.05
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	160
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	449
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	456
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	606
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	669

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	433
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	510
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	408
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	408
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	459
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	459
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	358

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	178
1-3	255
3-5	255
6-10	433
11-15	433
16-20	510
21-25	612
26-30	574
31-35	561
36-40	484
41+	510

## California, San Diego

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.0
Median Years in Practice	18.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	84.2
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Other
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	16.92
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.45
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	147
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	452
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	331
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	475
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	544
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	700

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	500
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	450
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	425
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	400

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	200
1-3	250
3-5	275
6-10	450
11-15	425
16-20	500
21-25	475
26-30	623
31-35	650
36-40	600
41+	500

## California, San Francisco

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.86
Median Years in Practice	14.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	85.7
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Other
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	15.72
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.19
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	110
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	435
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	325
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	450
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	613
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	688

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	450
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	600
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	650
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	600
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	550
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	400

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	225
1-3	250
3-5	250
6-10	425
11-15	433
16-20	513
21-25	600
26-30	638
31-35	750
36-40	763
41+	475

## California, San Jose - Santa Clara

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.24
Median Years in Practice	13.75
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	85.4
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	16.9
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.6
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	139
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	494
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	370
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	511
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	696
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	782

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	580
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	645
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	596
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	516
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	580
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	585
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	516

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	255
1-3	284
3-5	324
6-10	545
11-15	557
16-20	639
21-25	759
26-30	670
31-35	710
36-40	613
41+	625

## Colorado, Colorado Springs

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.67
Median Years in Practice	16.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	98.3
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	12.0
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.83
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	131
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	367
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	300
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	375
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	413
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	425

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	320
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	283
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	413
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	327

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	220
1-3	250
3-5	282
6-10	400
11-15	350
16-20	413
21-25	438
26-30	493
31-35	438
36-40	425
41+	500

## Colorado, Denver - Aurora

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.8
Median Years in Practice	14.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	90.0
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	13.2
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.8
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	132
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	355
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	275
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	400
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	425

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	289
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	317
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	400
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	343

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	225
1-3	250
3-5	282
6-10	338
11-15	350
16-20	350
21-25	369
26-30	400
31-35	364
36-40	425
41+	500

## Colorado, Fort Collins - Loveland

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.21
Median Years in Practice	17.5
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	46.4
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	19.26
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.5
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	126
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	347
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	269
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	388
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	606

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	388
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	375
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	388
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	350

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	225
1-3	250
3-5	238
6-10	300
11-15	338
16-20	363
21-25	369
26-30	350
31-35	300
36-40	388
41+	500

## Connecticut, Bridgeport - Stamford - Norwalk

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.18
Median Years in Practice	27.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	76.5
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	General Practice
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	37.08
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	2.0
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	128
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	381
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	325
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	400
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	433
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	479

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	350
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	400

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	238
1-3	275
3-5	275
6-10	350
11-15	300
16-20	350
21-25	425
26-30	375
31-35	427
36-40	480
41+	450

## Connecticut, New Haven - Milford

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.95
Median Years in Practice	26.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	74.2
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	General Practice
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	36.0
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.79
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	103
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	378
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	325
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	400
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	444
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	488

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	350
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	400

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	238
1-3	250
3-5	275
6-10	350
11-15	300
16-20	350
21-25	425
26-30	400
31-35	400
36-40	450
41+	450

## Delaware, Dover

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.5
Median Years in Practice	16.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	84.0
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	General Practice
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	34.2
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	.20
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	125
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	360
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	263
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	312
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	450
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	669

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	363
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	313
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	325
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	350

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	200
1-3	250
3-5	263
6-10	325
11-15	525
16-20	300
21-25	325
26-30	363
31-35	400
36-40	438
41+	500

## Delaware, Wilmington - New Castle - Newark

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.09
Median Years in Practice	16.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	67.3
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	32.16
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	.27
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	108
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	293
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	263
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	300
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	363
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	500

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	313
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	338
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	350

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	200-
1-3	250
3-5	250
6-10	313
11-15	525-
16-20	300
21-25	338
26-30	363
31-35	400
36-40	425
41+	475

## Florida, Cape Coral - Fort Myers

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.0
Median Years in Practice	14.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	87.6
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	General Practice
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	24.96
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	2.08
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	125
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	368
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	250
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	425
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	675

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	400
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	250

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	250
1-3	238
3-5	225
6-10	400
11-15	350
16-20	475
21-25	457
26-30	475
31-35	500
36-40	438
41+	425

## Florida, Jacksonville

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.87
Median Years in Practice	12.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	81.3
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	General Practice
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	21.42
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.0
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	135
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	363
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	244
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	444
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	596

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	400
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	425
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	300

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	250
1-3	238
3-5	225
6-10	375
11-15	363
16-20	350
21-25	400
26-30	450
31-35	450
36-40	413
41+	400

## Florida, Miami - Fort Lauderdale

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.79
Median Years in Practice	13.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	86.2
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	General Practice
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	22.32
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.0
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	129
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	376
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	256
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	444
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	663

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	400
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	425
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	300

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	250
1-3	238
3-5	225
6-10	350
11-15	350
16-20	525
21-25	400
26-30	450
31-35	475
36-40	433
41+	400

## Florida, Tallahassee

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.0
Median Years in Practice	9.5
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	92.0
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	14.4
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.3
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	129
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	405
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	325
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	533
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	588

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	375
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	350

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	213
1-3	250
3-5	275
6-10	350
11-15	344
16-20	399
21-25	600
26-30	475
31-35	500
36-40	475
41+	600

## Florida, Tampa - St. Petersburg

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.78
Median Years in Practice	14.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	71.6
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	General Practice
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	19.68
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	.81
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	113
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	372
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	288
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	444
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	675

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	400
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	425
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	350

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	225 -
1-3	225
3-5	238
6-10	350
11-15	350
16-20	425
21-25	475
26-30	400
31-35	463
36-40	475
41+	463

## Florida, Orlando

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.76
Median Years in Practice	13.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	71.0
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	General Practice
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	17.58
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	.83
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	113
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	367
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	300
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	425
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	625

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	400
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	413
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	350

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	113
1-3	225
3-5	238
6-10	350
11-15	356
16-20	375
21-25	600
26-30	400
31-35	391
36-40	513
41+	450

## Georgia, Atlanta

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	1.58
Median Years in Practice	7.5
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	76.7
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	General Practice
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	16.98
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	.67
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	124
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	327
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	250
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	288
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	400
5% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	563

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	288
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	275
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	250
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	375
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	313
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	300

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	200
1-3	250
3-5	250
6-10	275
11-15	400
16-20	575
21-25	605
26-30	636
31-35	350
36-40	300
41+	400

250

## Georgia, Augusta

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	1.75
Median Years in Practice	5.5
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	75.8
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	General Practice
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	25.02
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	.5
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	130
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	308
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	244
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	275
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	388
5% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	394

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	250
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	275
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	250
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	375
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	250
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	300

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	200
1-3	250
3-5	250
6-10	275
11-15	400
16-20	375
21-25	325
26-30	325
31-35	338
36-40	300
41+	386

## Georgia, Macon

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	1.7
Median Years in Practice	6.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	78.0
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	General Practice
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	18.0
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	.60
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	114
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	305
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	250
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	275
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	388
5% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	394

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	250
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	275
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	250
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	375
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	313
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	300

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	188
1-3	220
3-5	250
6-10	275
11-15	400
16-20	375
21-25	386
26-30	399
31-35	350
36-40	375
41+	386

## Georgia, Savannah

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	1.93
Median Years in Practice	12.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	74.3
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	General Practice
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	23.58
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	.64
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	113
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	339
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	250
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	288
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	400
5% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	675

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	250
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	275
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	250
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	363
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	313
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	300

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	200
1-3	225
3-5	250
6-10	275
11-15	367
16-20	619
21-25	400
26-30	325
31-35	350
36-40	300
41+	400

## Hawaii, Honolulu

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	4.15
Median Years in Practice	15.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	38.5
Primary Practice Area	General Practice
Secondary Practice Area	Other
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	27.9
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	2.0
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	130
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	265
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	200
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	250
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	313
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	594

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	339
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	388
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	263
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	250
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	250
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	275
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	263

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	125
1-3	170
3-5	175
6-10	225
11-15	238
16-20	275
21-25	300
26-30	375
31-35	400
36-40	413
41+	600

## Idaho, Boise City

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	1.62
Median Years in Practice	13.85
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	73.8
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	General Practice
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	.13
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	20.28
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	108
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	281
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	225
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	250
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	306
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	409

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	225
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	313
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	275
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	250
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	275
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	313

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	150
1-3	175
3-5	200
6-10	225
11-15	250
16-20	363
21-25	350
26-30	275
31-35	389
36-40	400
41+	400

## Idaho, Idaho Falls

	This Survey
Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	1.57
Median Years in Practice	10.5
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	57.1
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	General Practice
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.57
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	20.16
Average Billable Paralegal Rate	100
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	277
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	215
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	263
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	313
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	419

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	225
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	275
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	275
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	225
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	263
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	275
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	225

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	150
1-3	175
3-5	200
6-10	225
11-15	250
16-20	363
21-25	350
26-30	275
31-35	300
36-40	363
41+	375

## Illinois, Chicago

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.81
Median Years in Practice	13.33
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	82.4
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	21.42
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	2.62
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	146
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	362
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	325
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	375
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	450
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	600

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	408
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	394
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	356
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	358
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	412
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	325

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	200
1-3	236
3-5	275
6-10	350
11-15	375
16-20	350
21-25	450
26-30	625
31-35	531
36-40	625
41+	500

## Illinois, Rockford

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.41
Median Years in Practice	14.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	72.6
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	19.32
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.56
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	140
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	399
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	331
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	375
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	488
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	600

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	338
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	463
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	388
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	433
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	425

## Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	200 -
1-3	300
3-5	338
6-10	350
11-15	400
16-20	363
21-25	450
26-30	538
31-35	500
36-40	550
41+	350

## Illinois, Springfield

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.9
Median Years in Practice	16.5
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	73.0
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	7.8
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.9
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	130
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	386
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	331
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	375
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	456
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	588

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	425
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	375
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	388

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	214
1-3	257
3-5	225
6-10	363
11-15	375
16-20	350
21-25	450
26-30	575
31-35	475
36-40	600
41+	600

## Illinois, St Louis Metro East

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	4.0
Median Years in Practice	19.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	61.0
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	10.8
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	2.9
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	131
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	41378
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	283
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	375
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	525
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	688

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	234
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	450
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	425
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	468
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	375
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	425
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	419

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	185
1-3	225
3-5	225
6-10	400
11-15	300
16-20	525
21-25	450
26-30	498
31-35	511
36-40	538
41+	600

## Indiana, Fort Wayne

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.71
Median Years in Practice	12.57
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	87.1
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	General Practice
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	17.7
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	2.24
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	136
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	336
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	256
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	325
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	413
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	600

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	288
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	338
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	275
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	325
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	263

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	250
1-3	250
3-5	263
6-10	325
11-15	350
16-20	300
21-25	450
26-30	513
31-35	342
36-40	425
41+	375

## Indiana, Gary - Hammond

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.77
Median Years in Practice	7.5
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	83.2
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	General Practice
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	17.46
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	3.23
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	136
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	352
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	263
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	325
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	413
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	673

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	288
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	275
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	325
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	263

## Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	250
1-3	250
3-5	263
6-10	325
11-15	350
16-20	475
21-25	450
26-30	450
31-35	350
36-40	425
41+	375

## Indiana, Indianapolis

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.88
Median Years in Practice	15.5
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	78.7
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	21.78
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	2.63
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	124
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	363
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	300
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	375
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	425
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	440

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	363
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	400
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	250

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	250
1-3	275
3-5	337
6-10	363
11-15	325
16-20	363
21-25	450
26-30	400
31-35	400
36-40	379
41+	445

## Indiana, South Bend - Elkhart - Mishawaka

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.64
Median Years in Practice	7.5
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	78.6
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	General Practice
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	17.7
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	3.18
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	134
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	334
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	263
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	325
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	413
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	600

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	275
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	300
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	263

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	250
1-3	250
3-5	263
6-10	300
11-15	325
16-20	300
21-25	450
26-30	513
31-35	450
36-40	425
41+	500

## Indiana, Terre Haute

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.56
Median Years in Practice	24.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	78.6
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	17.28
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.81
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	132
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	411
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	325
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	412
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	475
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	694

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	275
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	450
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	425
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	363
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	425
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	450
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	250

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	250
1-3	250
3-5	288
6-10	325
11-15	350
16-20	375
21-25	450
26-30	450
31-35	438
36-40	425
41+	500

## Iowa, Cedar Rapids

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.18
Median Years in Practice	24.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	57.6
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Employment Law
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	22.92
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	.41
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	125
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	281
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	246
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	300
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	381
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	400

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	338
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	300
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	338
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	375

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	75
1-3	100
3-5	170
6-10	188
11-15	275
16-20	300
21-25	325
26-30	338
31-35	350
36-40	300
41+	275

## Iowa, Des Moines

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	1.0
Median Years in Practice	27.5
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	50.0
Primary Practice Area	General Practice
Secondary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	28.5
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.25
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	140
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	266
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	150
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	300
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	325
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	313
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	300
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	300

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	150
1-3	170
3-5	170
6-10	175
11-15	250
16-20	279
21-25	313
26-30	300
31-35	324
36-40	160
41+	150

## Iowa, Dubuque

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.18
Median Years in Practice	24.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	57.6
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Employment Law
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	22.92
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	.41
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	125
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	281
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	246
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	300
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	381
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	396

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	338
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	288
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	300
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	338
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	375

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	75
1-3	75
3-5	150
6-10	175
11-15	275
16-20	300
21-25	325
26-30	338
31-35	350
36-40	300
41+	275

## Kansas, Kansas City

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	1.75
Median Years in Practice	16.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	73.7
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	24.78
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.88
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	124
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	378
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	250
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	338
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	363
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	400

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	275
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	338
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	275
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	350
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	588
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	300

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	163
1-3	175
3-5	213
6-10	338
11-15	350
16-20	400
21-25	400
26-30	338
31-35	300
36-40	300
41+	250

## Kansas, Wichita

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.2
Median Years in Practice	14.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	90.0
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Real Estate
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	19.2
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.8
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	135
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	430
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	306
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	363
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	400

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	313
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	338
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	325
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	500
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	300

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	175
1-3	213
3-5	275
6-10	338
11-15	350
16-20	400
21-25	450
26-30	350
31-35	300
36-40	300
41+	250

## Kentucky, Lexington

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.67
Median Years in Practice	11.5
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	68.3
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	19.98
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	2.0
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	150
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	313
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	200
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	338
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	400
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	417

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	338
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	363
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	275
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	350
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	338
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	225

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	150
1-3	175
3-5	175
6-10	325
11-15	363
16-20	375
21-25	375
26-30	400
31-35	350
36-40	325
41+	325

## Kentucky, Louisville

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.43
Median Years in Practice	13.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	70.0
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	20.58
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.71
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	131
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	282
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	194
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	225
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	406
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	420

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	200
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	425
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	200
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	200
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	275
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	200
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	213

## Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	125
1-3	138
3-5	175
6-10	284
11-15	300
16-20	355
21-25	388
26-30	400
31-35	400
36-40	425
41+	325

## Louisiana, Baton Rouge

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	4.75
Median Years in Practice	8.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	42.2
Primary Practice Area	General Practice
Secondary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	21.36
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.11
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	83
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	275
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	206
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	275
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	313
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	378

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	275
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	275
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	275
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	213

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	219
1-3	225
3-5	225
6-10	238
11-15	400
16-20	300
21-25	325
26-30	342
31-35	359
36-40	413
41+	400

## Louisiana, New Orleans

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	4.78
Median Years in Practice	10.56
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	37.8
Primary Practice Area	General Practice
Secondary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	19.8
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.3
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	90
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	290
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	238
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	306
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	338
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	394

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	288
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	338
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	288
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	275
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	300
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	225

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	200
1-3	225
3-5	238
6-10	250
11-15	400
16-20	350
21-25	338
26-30	350
31-35	383
36-40	414
41+	325

## Louisiana, Shreveport

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.70
Median Years in Practice	10.3
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	42.6
Primary Practice Area	General Practice
Secondary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	24.0
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.0
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	80
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	288
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	250
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	300
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	344
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	388

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	288
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	313
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	213

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	194
1-3	213
3-5	225
6-10	250
11-15	350
16-20	325
21-25	325
26-30	342
31-35	375
36-40	388
41+	325

## Maine, Bangor

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.5
Median Years in Practice	23.5
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	76.4
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	General Practice
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	40.26
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.64
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	107
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	295
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	180
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	275
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	406
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	475

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	200
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	275
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	275
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	200
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	200
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	200

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	144
1-3	163
3-5	190
6-10	315
11-15	350
16-20	313
21-25	313
26-30	338
31-35	300
36-40	300
41+	200

## Maine, Portland

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.25
Median Years in Practice	31.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	82.5
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	General Practice
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	45.0
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.08
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	106
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	275
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	200
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	275
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	425
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	485

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	200
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	250
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	200
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	263
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	213
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	200

## Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	175
1-3	188
3-5	200
6-10	350
11-15	400
16-20	357
21-25	350
26-30	400
31-35	356
36-40	350
41+	350

## Maryland, Baltimore

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.86
Median Years in Practice	25.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	47.1
Primary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Secondary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	34.26
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.0
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	125
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	375
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	256
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	400
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	483
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	500

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	275
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	475
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	225

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	150
1-3	150
3-5	200
6-10	275
11-15	300
16-20	250
21-25	400
26-30	325
31-35	488
36-40	475
41+	475

## Massachusetts, Boston - Cambridge

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	1.17
Median Years in Practice	7.5
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	86.7
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	13.02
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	.33
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	100
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	288
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	250
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	300
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	338
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	388

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	275
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	313
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	259
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	300
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	250

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	175
1-3	175
3-5	224
6-10	263
11-15	300
16-20	306
21-25	319
26-30	350
31-35	380
36-40	370
41+	355

## Massachusetts, Springfield

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	1.71
Median Years in Practice	8.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	82.9
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	12.84
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	.57
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	100
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	347
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	250
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	300
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	325
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	346

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	275
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	250
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	258
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	500
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	300

## Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	163
1-3	188
3-5	193
6-10	269
11-15	300
16-20	575
21-25	511
26-30	350
31-35	380
36-40	370
41+	389

## Michigan, Detroit

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.56
Median Years in Practice	17.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	63.4
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	27.36
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	.72
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	106
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	263
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	438
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	569

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	288
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	425
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	425
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	200

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	220
1-3	275
3-5	250
6-10	375
11-15	350
16-20	350
21-25	363
26-30	450
31-35	480
36-40	400
41+	325

## Michigan, Flint

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.55
Median Years in Practice	17.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	67.1
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	23.58
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	.76
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	107
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	385
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	244
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	363
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	400
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	575

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	250
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	388
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	275

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	220
1-3	275
3-5	263
6-10	300
11-15	313
16-20	375
21-25	363
26-30	400
31-35	400
36-40	388
41+	375

## Michigan, Grand Rapids

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.50
Median Years in Practice	28.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	73.0
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	30.6
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	.5
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	140
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	370
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	275
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	450
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	513

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	363
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	425
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	450
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	413
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	350

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	200
1-3	225
3-5	300
6-10	338
11-15	388
16-20	402
21-25	418
26-30	488
31-35	427
36-40	388
41+	333

## Michigan, Kalamazoo - Portage

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.95
Median Years in Practice	12.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	73.7
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	22.68
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	.95
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	109
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	328
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	246
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	300
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	400
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	588

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	250
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	363
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	363
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	400
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	338
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	275

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	240
1-3	275
3-5	263
6-10	294
11-15	338
16-20	425
21-25	438
26-30	450
31-35	313
36-40	350
41+	338

## Michigan, Lansing

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.53
Median Years in Practice	15.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	75.2
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	27.18
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.67
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	113
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	363
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	250
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	450
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	569

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	425
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	425
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	450
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	450
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	200

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	200
1-3	275
3-5	250
6-10	315
11-15	363
16-20	481
21-25	452
26-30	450
31-35	463
36-40	394
41+	288

## Michigan, Marquette

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	1.88
Median Years in Practice	30.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	70.0
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	18.78
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.0
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	127
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	360
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	294
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	425
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	440

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	400
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	350

## Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	238
1-3	275
3-5	300
6-10	306
11-15	350
16-20	440
21-25	300
26-30	340
31-35	340
36-40	425
41+	401

## Minnesota, Duluth

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.1805
Median Years in Practice	14.5
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	64.1
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	24.0
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	.76
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	146
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	335
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	263
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	413
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	496

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	275
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	325
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	313
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	325

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	200
1-3	225
3-5	250
6-10	275
11-15	350
16-20	400
21-25	300
26-30	325
31-35	350
36-40	350
41+	500

## Minnesota, Minneapolis - St Paul

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.05
Median Years in Practice	21.5
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	64.0
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	22.5
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	.8
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	129
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	336
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	275
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	406
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	496

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	275
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	338
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	350
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	325

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	200
1-3	238
3-5	275
6-10	313
11-15	338
16-20	400
21-25	400
26-30	413
31-35	350
36-40	350
41+	400

## Mississippi, Gulfport - Biloxi

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	1.57
Median Years in Practice	26.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	27.1
Primary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Secondary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	20.58
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.86
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	65
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	264
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	175
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	300
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	325
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	275
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	300
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	267

## Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	150
1-3	150
3-5	188
6-10	225
11-15	225
16-20	288
21-25	300
26-30	300
31-35	325
36-40	375
41+	400

## Mississippi, Jackson

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.0
Median Years in Practice	12.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	30.0
Primary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Secondary Practice Area	General Practice
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	44.0
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	2.0
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	97
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	308
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	250
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	300
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	338
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	308
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	433
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	300
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	350

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	175
1-3	185
3-5	250
6-10	275
11-15	323
16-20	319
21-25	318
26-30	325
31-35	346
36-40	375
41+	500

## Missouri, Columbia

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	1.65
Median Years in Practice	13.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	51.8
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Other
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	21.18
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.47
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	102
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	344
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	283
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	325
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	400
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	450

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	275
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	300
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	350

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	175
1-3	200
3-5	250
6-10	300
11-15	325
16-20	400
21-25	375
26-30	350
31-35	317
36-40	421
41+	450

## Missouri, Kansas City

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	1.67
Median Years in Practice	13.8
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	54.8
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Other
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	19.74
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	.48
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	109
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	348
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	281
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	444
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	544

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	275
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	300
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	350

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	200
1-3	200
3-5	250
6-10	325
11-15	350
16-20	400
21-25	375
26-30	350
31-35	369
36-40	375
41+	463

## Missouri, Springfield

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	1.71
Median Years in Practice	11.5
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	62.9
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	General Practice
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	25.74
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.57
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	113
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	373
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	294
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	375
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	450
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	533

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	350
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	450
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	425

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	200
1-3	200
3-5	338
6-10	400
11-15	350
16-20	400
21-25	436
26-30	450
31-35	443
36-40	450
41+	450

## Missouri, St Louis

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	1.63
Median Years in Practice	14.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	68.4
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	21.48
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	.47
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	108
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	339
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	269
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	313
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	407
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	450

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	250
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	300
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	350

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	200
1-3	250
3-5	250
6-10	300
11-15	350
16-20	400
21-25	375
26-30	413
31-35	425
36-40	488
41+	450

## Montana, Billings

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.4
Median Years in Practice	18.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	62.0
Primary Practice Area	General Practice
Secondary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	48.0
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	.4
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	75
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	235
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	181
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	225
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	294
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	300

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	275
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	238
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	225
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	225
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	238
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	275
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	238

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	170
1-3	175
3-5	220
6-10	250
11-15	263
16-20	250
21-25	263
26-30	253
31-35	265
36-40	300
41+	312

## Montana, Missoula

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	1.9
Median Years in Practice	19.2
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	57.5
Primary Practice Area	General Practice
Secondary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	50.0
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	.3
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	75
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	230
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	170
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	213
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	275
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	300

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	263
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	250
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	225
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	225
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	238
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	275
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	250

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	165
1-3	175
3-5	200
6-10	225
11-15	250
16-20	250
21-25	275
26-30	283
31-35	265
36-40	300
41+	312

## Nebraska, Lincoln

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2,75
Median Years in Practice	16.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	50.08
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Employment Law
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	28.02
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.17
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	120
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	263
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	200
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	275
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	400

## Median Rates for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	163
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	275
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	275
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	275
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	263

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	150
1-3	150
3-5	183
6-10	200
11-15	275
16-20	300
21-25	350
26-30	275
31-35	393
36-40	175
41+	150

## Nebraska, Omaha

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.67
Median Years in Practice	20.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	60.7
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Employment Law
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	28.38
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.4
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	125
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	294
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	200
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	275
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	363
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	419

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	100
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	275
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	288
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	313
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	275

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	163
1-3	175
3-5	200
6-10	225
11-15	275
16-20	300
21-25	350
26-30	350
31-35	500-
36-40	175
41+	400

## Nevada, Las Vegas

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.71
Median Years in Practice	28.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	25.7
Primary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Secondary Practice Area	Employment Law
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	10.26
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.43
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	119
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	325
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	300
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	363
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	475
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	494

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	313
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	413
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	375
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	350

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	195
1-3	214
3-5	226
6-10	253
11-15	350
16-20	500
21-25	450
26-30	435
31-35	483
36-40	506
41+	475

## Nevada, Reno - Carson City

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.83
Median Years in Practice	19.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	21.7
Primary Practice Area	Bankruptcy Law
Secondary Practice Area	Employment Law
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	10.2
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	2.0
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	100
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	302
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	275
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	344
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	400
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	444

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	250
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	313
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	313
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	313
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	313
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	300

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	227
1-3	250
3-5	263
6-10	295
11-15	350
16-20	342
21-25	293
26-30	337
31-35	375
36-40	394
41+	375

## New Hampshire - Manchester

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	1.58
Median Years in Practice	27.5
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	58.3
Primary Practice Area	General Practice
Secondary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	12.48
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	.5
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	117
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	342
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	225
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	300
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	506
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	519

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	400
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	300

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	138
1-3	150
3-5	173
6-10	313
11-15	500
16-20	288
21-25	225
26-30	366
31-35	300
36-40	490
41+	500

## New Jersey, Newark

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.5
Median Years in Practice	15.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	74.6
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	15.66
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.08
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	158
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	413
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	325
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	500
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	850

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	350
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	300

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	200
1-3	250
3-5	325
6-10	375
11-15	425
16-20	375
21-25	375
26-30	500
31-35	850
36-40	750
41+	500

## New Jersey, Trenton

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.59
Median Years in Practice	13.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	62.7
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Other
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	12.54
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	.91
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	146
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	363
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	275
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	438
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	650

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	350
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	300

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	175
1-3	250
3-5	250
6-10	350
11-15	500
16-20	500
21-25	375
26-30	375
31-35	413
36-40	450
41+	500

## New Mexico, Albuquerque - Santa Fe

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.2
Median Years in Practice	15.5
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	57.9
Primary Practice Area	General Practice
Secondary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	32.0
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.17
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	103
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	261
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	200
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	263
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	381

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	363
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	238
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	225
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	238
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	225
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	350

## Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	150
1-3	200
3-5	175
6-10	200
11-15	200
16-20	250
21-25	350
26-30	400
31-35	375
36-40	350
41+	350

## New Mexico, Farmington

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.21
Median Years in Practice	13.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	54.2
Primary Practice Area	General Practice
Secondary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	28.74
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	.89
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	92
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	269
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	183
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	225
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	356
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	463

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	238
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	213
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	225
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	225
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	238
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	350

## Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	150
1-3	188
3-5	175
6-10	200
11-15	200
16-20	250
21-25	350
26-30	400
31-35	475
36-40	350
41+	350

## New Mexico, Las Cruces

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.96
Median Years in Practice	15.5
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	42.1
Primary Practice Area	General Practice
Secondary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	32.0
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.17
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	96
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	250
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	188
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	238
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	363
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	388

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	250
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	363
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	213
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	225
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	225
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	213
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	225

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	150
1-3	163
3-5	175
6-10	200
11-15	213
16-20	225
21-25	283
26-30	300
31-35	313
36-40	350
41+	275

## New York, Albany - Schenectady

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.04
Median Years in Practice	21.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	51.5
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	General Practice
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	27.84
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.18
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	129
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	393
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	281
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	481
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	750

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	338
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	338
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	300

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	245
1-3	325
3-5	300
6-10	325
11-15	425
16-20	400
21-25	400
26-30	375
31-35	475
36-40	425
41+	550

## New York, Buffalo - Niagara Falls

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.95
Median Years in Practice	14.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	76.7
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Employment Law
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	30.18
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.69
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	115
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	348
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	275
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	300
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	388
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	625

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	325
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	300

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	200
1-3	225
3-5	250
6-10	300
11-15	325
16-20	600
21-25	400
26-30	500
31-35	475
36-40	500
41+	550

## New York, New York City

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.23
Median Years in Practice	17.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	57.0
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	31.02
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.67
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	146
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	447
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	300
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	400
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	531
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	950

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	450
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	388
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	388
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	525

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	350
1-3	350
3-5	350
6-10	300
11-15	475
16-20	400
21-25	375
26-30	388
31-35	500
36-40	488
41+	600

## New York, Rochester

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.56
Median Years in Practice	13.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	82.8
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	24.72
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.04
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	117
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	358
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	256
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	469
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	619

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	363
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	300
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	500

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	350
1-3	350
3-5	300
6-10	300
11-15	350
16-20	482
21-25	429
26-30	375
31-35	413
36-40	482
41+	550

## New York, Syracuse

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.25
Median Years in Practice	17.5
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	62.5
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Employment Law
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	30.0
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	.81
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	119
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	365
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	281
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	300
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	475
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	650

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	300
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	300

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	250
1-3	275
3-5	300
6-10	300
11-15	400
16-20	600
21-25	375
26-30	375
31-35	475
36-40	500
41+	550

## North Carolina, Asheville

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.2
Median Years in Practice	13.5
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	55.2
Primary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Secondary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	28.62
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	2.27
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	117
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	408
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	294
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	525
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	875

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	388
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	300
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	500

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	225
1-3	288
3-5	313
6-10	325
11-15	363
16-20	400
21-25	400
26-30	363
31-35	400
36-40	544
41+	550

## North Carolina, Charlotte

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.51
Median Years in Practice	12.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	64.0
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Employment Law
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	30.66
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	2.4
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	113
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	402
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	294
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	506
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	900

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	300
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	500

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	225
1-3	288
3-5	300
6-10	300
11-15	375
16-20	463
21-25	400
26-30	348
31-35	400
36-40	325
41+	325

## North Carolina, Fayetteville

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.28
Median Years in Practice	12.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	58.7
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	28.74
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	2.23
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	114
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	378
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	275
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	500
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	900

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	300
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	388
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	500

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	225
1-3	288
3-5	288
6-10	300
11-15	350
16-20	375
21-25	400
26-30	298
31-35	400
36-40	338
41+	325

## North Carolina, Greensboro

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.56
Median Years in Practice	12.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	71.8
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Employment Law
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	29.82
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	2.37
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	110
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	407
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	300
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	525
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	950

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	313
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	300
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	475

## Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	225
1-3	250
3-5	288
6-10	300
11-15	375
16-20	425
21-25	400
26-30	363
31-35	400
36-40	338
41+	325

## North Carolina, Raleigh

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.55
Median Years in Practice	13.4
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	60.6
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	29.64
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	2.48
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	114
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	408
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	281
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	506
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	800

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	288
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	288
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	300
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	388
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	450

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	225
1-3	263
3-5	288
6-10	300
11-15	375
16-20	463
21-25	400
26-30	400
31-35	388
36-40	300
41+	325

## North Dakota, Bismarck

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.0
Median Years in Practice	25.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	60.0
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Personal Injury
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	27.42
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.43
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	128
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	404
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	325
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	394
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	475
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	506

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	388
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	450
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	400
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	413

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	170
1-3	225
3-5	225
6-10	300
11-15	300
16-20	325
21-25	356
26-30	330
31-35	333
36-40	424
41+	500

## North Dakota, Fargo

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.33
Median Years in Practice	11.5
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	55.8
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	34.02
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.67
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	122
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	371
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	213
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	400
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	450
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	500

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	250
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	350
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	288

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	163
1-3	200
3-5	225
6-10	250
11-15	275
16-20	300
21-25	300
26-30	350
31-35	388
36-40	425
41+	400

## North Dakota, Grand Forks

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.6
Median Years in Practice	14.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	55.8
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Domestic Relations
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	37.2
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.2
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	125
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	330
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	225
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	375
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	400

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	375
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	350

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	150
1-3	188
3-5	200
6-10	238
11-15	225
16-20	250
21-25	275
26-30	338
31-35	350
36-40	350
41+	400

## Ohio, Cincinnati

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.29
Median Years in Practice	11.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	63.5
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	22.02
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	2.15
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	125
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	363
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	255
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	469
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	550

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	375
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	413
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	350

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	250
1-3	250
3-5	275
6-10	375
11-15	350
16-20	475
21-25	500
26-30	475
31-35	450
36-40	425
41+	400

## Ohio, Cleveland

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.79
Median Years in Practice	17.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	65.3
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	General Practice
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	22.5
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.96
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	133
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	365
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	250
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	433
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	606

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	375
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	388
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	350

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	250
1-3	288
3-5	275
6-10	325
11-15	350
16-20	417
21-25	450
26-30	463
31-35	450
36-40	405
41+	425

## Ohio, Columbus

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.68
Median Years in Practice	35.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	79.3
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	General Practice
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	23.16
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	2.93
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	137
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	340
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	231
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	333
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	433
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	563

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	350
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	388
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	363

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	225
1-3	225
3-5	225
6-10	325
11-15	350
16-20	425
21-25	450
26-30	450
31-35	525
36-40	375
41+	525

## Ohio, Toledo

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.05
Median Years in Practice	12.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	59.2
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Personal Injury
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	21.18
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.96
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	132
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	369
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	258
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	375
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	463
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	575

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	388
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	425
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	363

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	250
1-3	250
3-5	263
6-10	375
11-15	350
16-20	475
21-25	500
26-30	500
31-35	525
36-40	450
41+	425

## Oklahoma, Oklahoma City

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.11
Median Years in Practice	27.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	60.0
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	23.34
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.11
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	110
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	300
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	212
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	250
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	375
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	575

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	225
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	275
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	250
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	275
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	488
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	275

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	200
1-3	250
3-5	250
6-10	400
11-15	350
16-20	256
21-25	307
26-30	200
31-35	225
36-40	275
41+	257

## Oklahoma, Tulsa

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.1
Median Years in Practice	15.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	80.0
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Domestic Relations
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	20.58
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.71
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	156
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	357
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	269
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	525
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	600

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	275
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	400
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	438
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	275

## Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	170
1-3	250
3-5	250
6-10	338
11-15	325
16-20	300
21-25	375
26-30	625
31-35	475
36-40	338
41+	363

## Oregon, Eugene

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.2
Median Years in Practice	14.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	49.3
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	25.2
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.47
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	122
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	352
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	250
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	450
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	531

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	275
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	350

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	225
1-3	225
3-5	275
6-10	325
11-15	275
16-20	350
21-25	413
26-30	550
31-35	383
36-40	350
41+	300

## Oregon, Portland

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.13
Median Years in Practice	15.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	51.2
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	24.0
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.5
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	122
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	367
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	250
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	450
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	594

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	425
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	275
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	350

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	175
1-3	198
3-5	241
6-10	325
11-15	300
16-20	350
21-25	413
26-30	550
31-35	600
36-40	350
41+	350

## Pennsylvania, Erie

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.13
Median Years in Practice	18.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	66.3
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	General Practice
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	23.22
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.82
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	131
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	258
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	363
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	438
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	675

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	275
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	388
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	350
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	388
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	325

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	188
1-3	250
3-5	263
6-10	275
11-15	338
16-20	375
21-25	395
26-30	431
31-35	463
36-40	425
41+	700

## Pennsylvania, Harrisburg - Carlisle

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.32
Median Years in Practice	18.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	74.4
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	General Practice
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	20.64
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.73
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	146
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	420
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	300
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	450
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	506
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	700

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	388
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	425
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	425
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	425
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	450
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	425

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	200
1-3	250
3-5	263
6-10	275
11-15	400
16-20	463
21-25	450
26-30	512
31-35	693
36-40	450
41+	700

## Pennsylvania, Philadelphia

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.14
Median Years in Practice	18.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	72.4
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	21.18
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	2.84
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	140
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	434
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	288
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	400
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	500
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	700

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	425
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	413
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	400
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	425
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	425

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	204
1-3	250
3-5	250
6-10	400
11-15	400
16-20	450
21-25	425
26-30	725
31-35	850
36-40	425
41+	700

## Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.12
Median Years in Practice	18.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	71.2
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	23.28
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.44
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	138
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	402
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	275
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	400
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	500
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	700

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	350
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	683

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	185
1-3	250
3-5	250
6-10	275
11-15	375
16-20	463
21-25	350
26-30	350
31-35	400
36-40	425
41+	600

## Pennsylvania, Scranton

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.02
Median Years in Practice	18.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	69.7
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	21.78
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.75
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	148
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	427
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	281
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	400
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	575
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	775

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	425
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	413
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	400
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	425
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	425

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	193
1-3	250
3-5	250
6-10	288
11-15	400
16-20	450
21-25	425
26-30	588
31-35	588
36-40	425
41+	700

## Puerto Rico, San Juan

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.19
Median Years in Practice	250
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	30.5
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Other
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	39.72
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	.48
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	90
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	303
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	200
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	300
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	406
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	450

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	250
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	225
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	150
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	288

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	106
1-3	138
3-5	150
6-10	150
11-15	250
16-20	325
21-25	250
26-30	350
31-35	400
36-40	375
41+	400

## Rhode Island, Providence

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.83
Median Years in Practice	21.5
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	65.0
Primary Practice Area	General Practice
Secondary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	31.02
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.17
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	125
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	357
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	250
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	300
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	500
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	550

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	225
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	425
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	300
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	425
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	325

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	150
1-3	175
3-5	213
6-10	300
11-15	288
16-20	300
21-25	500
26-30	550
31-35	525
36-40	613
41+	500

## South Carolina, Charleston

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	1.82
Median Years in Practice	13.5
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	62.3
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	16.38
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.41
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	98
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	308
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	244
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	313
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	381
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	425

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	325
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	338
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	400

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	220
1-3	275
3-5	275
6-10	300
11-15	250
16-20	250
21-25	400
26-30	375
31-35	400
36-40	382
41+	350

## South Carolina, Columbia

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.1
Median Years in Practice	23.5
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	61.0
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	18.6
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.7
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	114
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	330
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	263
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	313
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	406
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	450

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	288
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	338
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	350
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	400

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	220
1-3	275
3-5	275
6-10	300
11-15	250
16-20	270
21-25	350
26-30	325
31-35	400
36-40	250
41+	350

## South Carolina, Greenville - Spartanburg - Anderson

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.56
Median Years in Practice	23.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	68.9
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	15.36
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.56
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	109
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	345
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	294
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	325
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	406
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	450

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	338
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	338
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	350
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	400

## Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	220
1-3	263
3-5	275
6-10	300
11-15	425
16-20	341
21-25	425
26-30	356
31-35	400
36-40	382
41+	350

## South Dakota, Rapid City

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.67
Median Years in Practice	12.5
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	47.5
Primary Practice Area	General Practice
Secondary Practice Area	Other
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	32.52
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.33
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	89
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	279
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	194
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	250
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	375
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	494

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	250
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	275
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	250
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	275
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	250

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	180
1-3	225
3-5	250
6-10	250
11-15	263
16-20	250
21-25	238
26-30	300
31-35	375
36-40	395
41+	400

## South Dakota, Sioux Falls

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.29
Median Years in Practice	15.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	57.1
Primary Practice Area	General Practice
Secondary Practice Area	Other
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	33.84
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.14
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	89
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	275
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	200
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	263
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	338
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	494

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	250
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	250
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	263
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	250
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	275
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	250

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	175
1-3	225
3-5	250
6-10	238
11-15	250
16-20	263
21-25	263
26-30	288
31-35	350
36-40	363
41+	400

## Tennessee, Chattanooga

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.35
Median Years in Practice	12.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	57.0
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Real Estate
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	27.3
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	3.65
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	99
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	310
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	250
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	300
75% Median Rate for All Attorneys	363
95% Median Rate for All Attorneys	500

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	250
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	275
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	300
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	300

## Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	188
1-3	250
3-5	263
6-10	350
11-15	300
16-20	300
21-25	325
26-30	300
31-35	250
36-40	325
41+	500

## Tennessee, Knoxville

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.14
Median Years in Practice	14.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	56.8
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	24.54
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.64
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	112
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	314
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	244
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	300
75% Median Rate for All Attorneys	363
95% Median Rate for All Attorneys	500

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	250
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	275
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	300
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	275

## Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	175
1-3	250
3-5	263
6-10	350
11-15	350
16-20	325
21-25	325
26-30	275
31-35	250
36-40	300
41+	250

## Tennessee, Memphis

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.47
Median Years in Practice	13.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	53.5
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	27.9
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.76
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	81
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	296
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	244
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	275
75% Median Rate for All Attorneys	325
95% Median Rate for All Attorneys	475

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	250
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	288
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	275
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	275
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	275

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	163
1-3	175
3-5	263
6-10	313
11-15	300
16-20	388
21-25	363
26-30	400
31-35	300
36-40	300
41+	275

## Tennessee, Nashville

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.39
Median Years in Practice	12.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	61.1
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	31.02
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	2.0
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	106
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	320
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	244
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	300
75% Median Rate for All Attorneys	375
95% Median Rate for All Attorneys	500

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	250
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	300
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	275

## Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	181
1-3	213
3-5	263
6-10	338
11-15	300
16-20	325
21-25	338
26-30	350
31-35	300
36-40	300
41+	475

## Texas, Amarillo

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.65
Median Years in Practice	16.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	72.2
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	17.76
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.78
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	139
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	394
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	294
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	375
75% Median Rate for All Attorneys	425
95% Median Rate for All Attorneys	475

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	363
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	363
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	413
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	375

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	150
1-3	167
3-5	213
6-10	363
11-15	375
16-20	413
21-25	413
26-30	375
31-35	388
36-40	413
41+	575

## Texas, Austin

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.76
Median Years in Practice	16.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	78.0
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	24.72
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.35
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	118
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	392
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	294
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	438
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	850

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	375
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	413
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	413

## Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	180
1-3	225
3-5	283
6-10	350
11-15	375
16-20	363
21-25	375
26-30	383
31-35	450
36-40	450
41+	500

## Texas, Dallas – Fort Worth

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.96
Median Years in Practice	16.5
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	85.4
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Employment Law
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	24.48
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.15
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	140
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	406
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	294
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	488
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	875

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	350
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	325

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	175
1-3	225
3-5	246
6-10	350
11-15	350
16-20	363
21-25	375
26-30	400
31-35	450
36-40	475
41+	500

## Texas, El Paso

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.0
Median Years in Practice	15.5
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	84.7
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	General Practice
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	24.54
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.34
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	111
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	391
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	294
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	450
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	875

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	350
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	383
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	375

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	175
1-3	225
3-5	275
6-10	325
11-15	350
16-20	363
21-25	367
26-30	300
31-35	450
36-40	450
41+	500

## Texas, Houston

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.9
Median Years in Practice	16.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	75.2
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	25.14
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	2.58
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	97
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	396
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	288
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	431
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	875

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	388
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	388
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	413
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	375

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	146
1-3	175
3-5	275
6-10	300
11-15	388
16-20	375
21-25	300
26-30	393
31-35	450
36-40	488
41+	488

## Texas, San Antonio

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.76
Median Years in Practice	16.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	77.1
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	24.72
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.35
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	128
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	392
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	275
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	431
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	825

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	375
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	413
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	375

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hou
1-3	225
3-5	288
6-10	350
11-15	388
16-20	363
21-25	363
26-30	375
31-35	450
36-40	450
41+	500

## Utah, Provo - Orem

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.3
Median Years in Practice	17.75
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	23.0
Primary Practice Area	General Practice
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	31.3
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	3.15
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	97
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	258
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	200
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	275
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	313
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	225
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	313
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	225
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	225
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	225
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	225
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	275

## Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	150
1-3	150
3-5	175
6-10	200
11-15	250
16-20	263
21-25	300
26-30	300
31-35	325
36-40	300
41+	350

## Utah, Salt Lake City

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.16
Median Years in Practice	18.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	23.6
Primary Practice Area	General Practice
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	30.72
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	4.12
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	100
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	275
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	225
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	281
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	375

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	250
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	250
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	225
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	250
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	288
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	263

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	150
1-3	175
3-5	200
6-10	238
11-15	256
16-20	263
21-25	313
26-30	325
31-35	325
36-40	350
41+	375

## Utah, St. George

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.74
Median Years in Practice	16.58
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	38.9
Primary Practice Area	General Practice
Secondary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	32.82
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	3.05
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	88
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	251
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	169
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	250
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	331
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	175
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	313
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	238
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	225
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	238
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	250
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	275

## Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	140
1-3	150
3-5	175
6-10	175
11-15	225
16-20	238
21-25	300
26-30	300
31-35	325
36-40	350
41+	350

## Vermont, Burlington

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.91
Median Years in Practice	29.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	39.7
Primary Practice Area	General Practice
Secondary Practice Area	Other
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	40.5
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	.19
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	87
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	313
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	263
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	275
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	525

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	288
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	338
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	275
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	275
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	275
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	288
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	275

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	150
1-3	250
3-5	250
6-10	275
11-15	263
16-20	300
21-25	300
26-30	375
31-35	275
36-40	325
41+	425

## Virginia, Alexandria - Arlington

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	1.3
Median Years in Practice	32.5
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	41.0
Primary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Secondary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	34.2
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.2
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	140
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	404
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	300
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	400
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	525
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	575

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	550
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	475
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	550
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	550
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	350

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	200
1-3	225
3-5	278
6-10	300
11-15	300
16-20	350
21-25	363
26-30	375
31-35	350
36-40	513
41+	500

## Virginia, Charlottesville

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	1.71
Median Years in Practice	21.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	53.5
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	31.44
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.12
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	147
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	360
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	256
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	315
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	450
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	630

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	460
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	405
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	425
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	400
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	500
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	250

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	175
1-3	200
3-5	250
6-10	250
11-15	300
16-20	525
21-25	475
26-30	375
31-35	350
36-40	513
41+	500

## Virginia, Richmond

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	1.38
Median Years in Practice	15.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	50.0
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	38.28
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.13
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	135
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	369
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	281
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	325
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	500
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	550

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	500
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	500
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	400
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	500
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	325

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	180
1-3	225
3-5	278
6-10	325
11-15	330
16-20	350
21-25	438
26-30	450
31-35	425
36-40	550
41+	450

## Virginia, Norfolk – Virginia Beach

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.0
Median Years in Practice	34.13
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	54.8
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	27.42
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.43
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	143
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	404
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	288
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Rate for All Attorneys	481
95% Median Rate for All Attorneys	694

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	550
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	450
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	475
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	463
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	550
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	350

## Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	175
1-3	250
3-5	270
6-10	325
11-15	675
16-20	404
21-25	450
26-30	425
31-35	450
36-40	450
41+	355

## Washington, Richland - Kennewick - Pasco

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.11
Median Years in Practice	11.5
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	84.2
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	26.64
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.39
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	121
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	331
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	250
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Rate for All Attorneys	406
95% Median Rate for All Attorneys	481

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	250
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	338
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	350
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	350

## Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	200
1-3	250
3-5	263
6-10	317
11-15	350
16-20	375
21-25	388
26-30	400
31-35	400
36-40	375
41+	375

## Washington, Seattle - Tacoma

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.92
Median Years in Practice	12.5
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	63.7
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	21.6
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.37
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	119
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	339
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	263
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Rate for All Attorneys	413
95% Median Rate for All Attorneys	494

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	275
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	300
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	288

## Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	175
1-3	250
3-5	288
6-10	325
11-15	388
16-20	400
21-25	413
26-30	425
31-35	400
36-40	400
41+	375

## Washington, Spokane

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.06
Median Years in Practice	11.05
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	75.2
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	25.86
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.39
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	125
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	336
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	256
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Rate for All Attorneys	406
95% Median Rate for All Attorneys	500

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	263
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	363
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	363
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	350

## Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	200
1-3	250
3-5	275
6-10	313
11-15	375
16-20	400
21-25	375
26-30	375
31-35	363
36-40	400
41+	400

## Washington, Yakima

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	3.29
Median Years in Practice	11.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	77.6
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	23.46
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.5
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	128
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	337
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	256
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Rate for All Attorneys	382
95% Median Rate for All Attorneys	506

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	275
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	338
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	350
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	313

## Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	200
1-3	250
3-5	288
6-10	350
11-15	400
16-20	350
21-25	375
26-30	400
31-35	388
36-40	375
41+	375

## West Virginia, Charleston

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.75
Median Years in Practice	21.42
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	74.2
Primary Practice Area	General Practice
Secondary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	32.52
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	.83
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	94
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	304
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	238
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	300
75% Median Rate for All Attorneys	375
95% Median Rate for All Attorneys	450

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	250
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	300
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	313
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	313

## Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	175
1-3	200
3-5	213
6-10	250
11-15	250
16-20	275
21-25	300
26-30	325
31-35	338
36-40	375
41+	388

## West Virginia, Huntington

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.75
Median Years in Practice	21.42
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	74.2
Primary Practice Area	General Practice
Secondary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	32.52
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	.83
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	100
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	304
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	238
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	300
75% Median Rate for All Attorneys	375
95% Median Rate for All Attorneys	450

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	250
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	313
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	325
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	313
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	313

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	175
1-3	200
3-5	213
6-10	250
11-15	275
16-20	288
21-25	300
26-30	325
31-35	333
36-40	375
41+	375

## West Virginia, Morgantown

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.07
Median Years in Practice	22.21
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	61.49
Primary Practice Area	General Practice
Secondary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	27.0
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.21
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	110
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	307
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	244
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	300
75% Median Rate for All Attorneys	381
95% Median Rate for All Attorneys	450

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	250
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	300
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	325
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	300
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	175

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	200
1-3	225
3-5	250
6-10	275
11-15	288
16-20	313
21-25	350
26-30	363
31-35	350
36-40	388
41+	406

## Wisconsin, Eau Claire

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.14
Median Years in Practice	18.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	83.3
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	34.26
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.19
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	115
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	381
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	300
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	400
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	450
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	600

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	250
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	425
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	388
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	388
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	425
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	433

## Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	225
1-3	225
3-5	263
6-10	325
11-15	300
16-20	350
21-25	363
26-30	350
31-35	425
36-40	433
41+	500

## Wisconsin, Madison

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.36
Median Years in Practice	14.5
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	83.2
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	17.14
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.32
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	113
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	358
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	275
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	438
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	575

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	250
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	275
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	375
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	413
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	438

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	225
1-3	250
3-5	263
6-10	313
11-15	350
16-20	350
21-25	363
26-30	383
31-35	425
36-40	500
41+	500

## Wisconsin, Milwaukee

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.46
Median Years in Practice	11.5
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	78.1
Primary Practice Area	Consumer Law
Secondary Practice Area	Bankruptcy
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	14.76
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	1.35
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	107
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	345
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	238
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	350
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	431
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	588

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	225
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	375
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	350
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	250
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	350
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	400
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	433

## Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	250
1-3	263
3-5	313
6-10	325
11-15	338
16-20	375
21-25	388
26-30	388
31-35	438
36-40	513
41+	538

## Wyoming, Casper

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	1.43
Median Years in Practice	22.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	58.6
Primary Practice Area	General Practice
Secondary Practice Area	Domestic Relations
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	10.0
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	.1
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	100
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	225
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	188
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	225
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	256
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	288

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	225
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	-
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	225
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	225
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	225
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	275
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	200

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	156
1-3	188
3-5	225
6-10	225
11-15	238
16-20	263
21-25	300
26-30	325
31-35	325
36-40	250
41+	250

## Wyoming, Cheyenne

Average Number of Attorneys in Firm	2.14
Median Years in Practice	25.0
Average Concentration of Practice in Consumer Law	62.9
Primary Practice Area	General Practice
Secondary Practice Area	Domestic Relations
Last Time Attorney Rate Changed (Average in Months)	45.42
Average Number of Paralegals in Firm	.93
Average Paralegal Rate for All Paralegals	117
Average Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	254
25% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	238
Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	250
75% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	269
95% Median Attorney Rate for All Attorneys	325

## Median Rate for Practice Areas

	Median
Attorneys Handling Bankruptcy Cases	238
Attorneys Handling Class Action Cases	-
Attorneys Handling Credit Rights Cases	238
Attorneys Handling Mortgage Cases	238
Attorneys Handling Vehicle Cases	238
Attorneys Handling TCPA Cases	275
Attorneys Handling Other Cases	250

Experience Variable Table

Years Practicing Consumer Law	Average Attorney Hourly Rate
<1	150
1-3	175
3-5	200
6-10	225
11-15	225
16-20	275
21-25	300
26-30	313
31-35	300
36-40	225
41+	250

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## 5. Cases Employing Use of Prior Editions of this Survey Report

Since 1999, when the data in this Survey Report first began to be compiled, the Survey Report has undergone various revisions in both substance and data analysis. Each revision resulted in further refinement of both the data as gathered and the final Survey Report as published. As various Courts considered previously published Survey Reports in years past, refinements in data gathering, analysis, and reporting were made periodically to both achieve improvements and address judicial commentary and criticism.

The continued refinement resulted in a major revision in data gathering, analysis, and reporting that occurred with the publishing of the United States Consumer Law Attorney Fee Survey for 2013-2014. That edition of the Survey Report added detailed reporting on specific geocentric data from 29 states and the District of Columbia and 46 greater metropolitan areas.

This new 2017-2018 edition of the Survey Report takes the data gathering and analyses processes even further by broadening the coverage to 157 high-population greater metropolitan areas in the United States.

While Courts frequently look to an attorney's normal hourly rate in making fee determinations, Courts may also consider market rates in the attorney's community, either in the absence of a stated hourly rate for the fee applicant or in addition to it.

Reasonable hourly rates are to be determined on the basis of market rates for services rendered. An "attorney's actual billing rate for comparable work is 'presumptively appropriate' to use as the market rate." *People Who Care v. Rockford Bd. of Educ. Sch. Dist. No. 205*, 90 F.3d 1307, 1310 (7th Cir., 1996). If the attorney has no actual billing rate, "the court should look to the next best evidence – the rate charged by lawyers in the community of 'reasonably comparable skill, experience and reputation.'" *Id.* (quoting *Blum v. Stenson*, 465 U.S. 886, 892, 895 n. 11 (1984)); see also *Spegon v. The Catholic Bishop of Chi.*, 175 F.3d 544, 556 (7th Cir., 1999).

*Sierra Club v. Jackson*, 2013 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 137217, \*5, 2013 WL 5409036 (W.D. Wis., Sept. 25, 2013)

Nevertheless,

"the attorney's actual billing rate for comparable work is presumptively appropriate to use as the market rate." 175 F.3d at 555 (quoting *People Who Care v. Rockford Bd. Of*

*Educ. School Dist. No. 205*, 90 F.3d 1307, 1310 (7th Cir. 1996)). [<sup>\*\*10</sup>] Only if an attorney is unable to provide evidence of her actual billing rates should a district court look to other evidence, including "rates similar experienced attorneys in the community charge paying clients for similar work." 175 F.3d at 555. Therefore, SIU is correct in asserting that looking to the southern Illinois legal community's rate would have been appropriate, but only if the district court provided an adequate reason to use a rate other than the presumed market rate, i.e., the appellants' market rate.

However, just because the proffered rate is higher than the local rate does not mean that a district court may freely adjust that rate downward. When a [<sup>\*744</sup>] local attorney has market rates that are higher than the local average, "[a] judge who departs from this presumptive rate must have some reason other than the ability to identify a different average rate in the community." *Gusman*, 986 F.2d at 1151. Similarly, if an out-of-town attorney has a higher hourly rate than local practitioners, district courts should defer to the out-of-town attorney's rate when calculating the lodestar amount, though if "local attorneys could do as well, and there is no other [<sup>\*\*11</sup>] reason to have them performed by the former, then the judge, in his discretion, might allow only an hourly rate which local attorneys would have charged for the same service."

*Mathur v. Bd. of Trs. of S. Ill. Univ.*, 317 F.3d 738, 743-744, 2003 U.S. App. LEXIS 1055, <sup>\*9-11</sup>, 90 Fair Empl. Prac. Cas. (BNA) 1537, 84 Empl. Prac. Dec. (CCH) P41,400 (7th Cir. Ill., Jan. 24, 2003)

In looking at the market rates in the applicant's community, Courts frequently consider and use survey data in their decision-making involving fee disputes, finding it an economical and impartial means of determining contested fee issues.

When two metropolitan areas are near each other, their hourly rates may be found to be comparable. See, *Arana v. Monterey Fin. Servs.*, 2016 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 46111, <sup>\*6</sup>, 2016 WL 1324269 (S.D. Cal., Apr. 5, 2016) ("Of all the hourly rate evidence submitted by the parties, the most relevant is the Consumer Fee Survey's data for first year Los Angeles, California consumer law attorneys. Of all the cities represented in the Consumer Fee Survey, Los Angeles is the one that's geographically closest to San Diego. The Court's independent research suggests that Los Angeles and San Diego rates are similar.....").

Some of the cases using the *U.S. Consumer Law Attorney Fee Survey Report*

when deciding attorney fee disputes in Consumer Law cases, include the following.

*In re Sears*, 2016 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 124235, 2016 WL 4765679 (N.D. E.D., Ill., Sep. 13, 2016) (a class action case considering the Laffey Matrix, the National Law Journal Survey and the 2013-2014 U.S. Consumer Law Attorney Fee Survey and using the median rate schedules for Chicago area survey data contained in the 2013-2014 Report in conjunction with both the Matrix and the NLJ survey).

*Reid v. Unilever United States, Inc.*, 2015 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 75383, \*50, 2015 WL 3653318 (N.D. Ill., June 10, 2015) (a class action case finding the Laffey Matrix rates to be supported by the Chicago area survey data contained in the 2010-2011 Report; “However, because the Matrix rate recommended here is supported by the Chicago-specific rates contained in the Report, the Court concludes that it is reasonable.”).

*Crafton v. Law Firm of Jonathan B. Levine*, 2014 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 29690, 2014 WL 907423 (E.D. Wis., Mar. 7, 2014) (“Several courts in this District have recognized the Fee Survey as a reliable resource in determining the reasonableness of an attorney's hourly rate, particularly in conjunction with consideration of counsel's experience. See *Moreland v. Dorsey Thornton & Assocs., LLC*, 2011 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 54487, 2011 WL 1980282, \*3 (E.D. Wis., May 20, 2011) (relying on counsel's website, which lists the attorney profiles, along with the United States Consumer Law Attorney Fee Survey in determining that the requested hourly rate was reasonable); *House v. Shapiro & Price*, 2011 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 38322, 2011 WL 1219247 (E.D. Wis., Mar. 30, 2011) (same); *Suleski v. Bryant Lafayette & Assocs.*, 2010 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 55353, 2010 WL 1904968 (E.D. Wis., May 10, 2010) (same).”)

*Davis v. Hollins Law*, 25 F.Supp.3d 1292, 2014 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 81024, 2014 WL 2619651 (E.D. Cal., Jun. 12, 2014) (“Plaintiff also relies on the United States Consumer Law Attorney Fee Survey Report 2010-2011 \* \* \* The court has reviewed the methodology underlying the Survey, and finds it credible.”).

*Decker v. Transworld Systems, Inc.*, 2009 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 78987, 2009 WL 2916819, N.D., Ill., Sept. 01, 2009 (finding results in the 2007 United States Consumer Law Attorney Fee Survey Report to be supported by the Laffey Matrix).

*Beach v. LVNV Funding, LLC*, 2013 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 162926, 2013 WL 6048989 (E.D. Wis., Nov. 15, 2013) (“... several courts in this District have recognized the Fee Survey as a reliable resource in determining the reasonableness of an attorney's hourly rate, particularly in conjunction with consideration of counsel's experience.”).

*Dibish v. Ameriprise Fin. Servs.*, 2015 Pa. Dist. & Cnty. Dec. LEXIS 432, \*17-18 (Pa. C.P., Mar. 23, 2015) (“In setting Mr. Behrend's rate at \$350 per hour, I considered all of the materials [18] submitted by the parties. The most objective document, and therefore what I considered most important in my analysis, was the “United States

Consumer Law Attorney Fee Survey Report 2010-2011,".....).

*Lockmon v. Thomas F. Farrell, P.C.*, 2012 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 178661, 2012 WL 6590426, at \*3 (D. Colo., Dec. 18, 2012) ("the Court finds that the average rates set forth in the [Consumer Law Attorney Fee] Survey are reasonable").

*LaFountain, Jr v. Paul Benton Motors of North Carolina, LLC*, 2010 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 121631, 2010 WL 4457057 (E.D. NC, Nov. 5, 2010) (Senior U.S. District Judge James C. Fox specifically finds the *U.S. Consumer Law Attorney Fee Survey Report* to be persuasive, after rejecting the National Law Journal's fee survey and the U.S. Attorney's Laffey Matrix as **un**persuasive in consumer law cases: "The court does, however, find the evidence in the *United States Consumer Law Attorney Fee Survey* to be persuasive").

*Ramirez v. N. Am. Asset Servs., LLC*, 2012 U.S. District LEXIS 54641, 2012 WL 1228086 (C.D. Cal., Apr. 9, 2012) (stating that the argument opposing the *Survey* was "untethered" to reality in light of the *Survey* report's resulting data).

*Lindenbaum v. NCO Fin. Sys.*, 2011 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 78069, 2011 WL 2848748 (E.D. Pa., July 19, 2011) (using both the *U.S. Consumer Law Attorney Fee Survey Report* and the U.S. Attorney's Laffey Matrix in determining a fee award).

*Suleski v. Bryant Lafayette & Associates*, 2010 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 55353, 2010 WL 1904968 (E.D. Wis., May 10, 2010) ("However, the United States Consumer Law Attorney Fee Survey for 2008-09 for the Midwest and California, see [www.consumerlaw.org/feesurvey](http://www.consumerlaw.org/feesurvey) (last visited May 7, 2010), supports the reasonableness of the hourly rates sought by counsel in light of their experience").

*Vahidy v. Transworld Systems, Inc.*, 2009 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 78984, 2009 WL 2916825 (N.D. Ill., September 01, 2009) (finding results in the 2007 United States Consumer Law Attorney Fee Survey Report to be "supported by the Laffey Matrix").

*Bratton v. Thomas Law Firm PC*, 943 F. Supp. 2d 897 (N.D. Ind. 2013) ("In *Moore v. Midland Credit Mgmt., Inc.*, 2012 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 176600, 2012 WL 6217597 (N.D. Ind. Dec. 12, 2012), this Court recently analyzed the applicability of both the *Consumer Law Attorney Fee Survey Report* and the Laffey Matrix. [904] The Court found that the Report "provides a general range for billing rates that is useful as one factor in a court's multi-factor analysis." 2012 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 176600, [WL] at \*4.").

*Beach v. LVNV Funding, LLC*, 2013 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 162926, 2013 WL 6048989 (E.D. Wis. Nov. 15, 2013). ("As Beach points out, several courts in this District have recognized the Fee Survey as a reliable resource in determining the reasonableness of an attorney's hourly rate, particularly in conjunction with consideration of counsel's experience.").

## Cases Listed by State or Other Jurisdiction

A more comprehensive listing of cases using the *U.S. Consumer Law Attorney Fee Survey Report* when deciding attorney fee disputes in Consumer Law cases includes those on the following list.

**Alabama**

*Hicks v. City of Tuscaloosa*, 2016 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 174579, 2016 WL 7029827 (N.D. Alabama, May 24, 2016) (considering 2010-2011 Survey Report in Discrimination under Family and Medical Leave Act case, granting \$154,192.50 in fees).

*Jordan v. City of Birmingham*, 2015 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 183532, 2015 WL 12830455 (N.D. Alabama, Jun. 22, 2015) (considering 2010 - 2011 Survey Report, in EEOC case, requested fees of \$61,850 granted to Plaintiff as supported by Survey Report).

**Arizona**

*Savage v. NIC, Inc.*, 2010 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 60311, 2010 WL 2347028 (D. Ariz., Jun. 9, 2010) ([year not stated] Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, requested fees of \$17,442 granted).

*Shelago v. Marshall & Ziolkowski Enterprise, LLC*, 2009 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 38940, 2009 WL 1097534 (D. Ariz., 2009., Apr. 21, 2009) ([year not stated] Survey Report in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$17,175 requested and granted).

**California**

*Warren v. Kia Motors America*, 2018 Cal. App. LEXIS 1144, 2018 WL 6520889 30 Cal.App.5th 24, 241 Cal.Rptr.3d 263 (C.A. 4th App Dist, Div. Two, Cal., Dec. 12, 2018) (2015-2016 Survey Report, in Lemon Law, Vehicle Litigation case, trial court's reduction of lodestar calculation making fees proportionate to damages was reversed).

*Medina v. South Coast Car Co.*, 15 Cal. App. 5th 671, 2017 Cal. App. LEXIS 820, 2017 WL 4247131 (C.A. 4th App Dist, Div. One, Cal., Sept 19, 2017) (2013-2014 Survey Report, in vehicle sales fraud case, \$128,004 granted and upheld on appeal).

*Hollandsworth v. McDowell*, 2015 WL 12830177 (Cal. Super., May 20, 2015) (2007 Survey Report, in vehicle warranty breach case, \$27,027 requested and granted).

**California, C.D.**

*Biggerstaff v. Saul*, 2019 WL 4138015 (C.D. Cal., July 5, 2019) (while quoting applicable hourly rates from Survey Report, court adopted "de facto hourly rate of

“\$1,400 per hour for combined attorney and paralegal time”) (2015-2016 Survey Report, in EAJA, Social Security case, \$32,760 granted).

*Liu v. BMW of North America, LLC*, 2019 WL 4196061 (C.D., W.D., Cal. May 29, 2019) (2013-2014 Survey Report, in Vehicle Warranty Law case, \$140,567 granted) (\$475 @ 12 Years; \$500 @ 43 Years; \$450 @ 14 Years; \$550 @ 26 Years).

*Sayed v. Cheatham Farms Master Homeowners’ Ass’n*, 2019 WL 1949028 (C.D. Cal., Apr. 16, 2019) (“in recent years, the majority [of district courts in California] have been willing to consider the Report’s results as evidence of prevailing hourly rates in FDCPA and Rosenthal Act cases.”) (2015-2016 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights, Udap case, \$53,640 granted) (\$450 @ 26 Years).

*Cunningham v Meridian Credit Group, LLC*, 2019 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 23680, 2019 WL 643966 (C.D. Cal., Feb. 11, 2019) (2013-2014 Survey Report, in Credit Rights, FDCPA case, \$8,410 granted) (\$300 @ 2 years; \$400 @ 4 years).

*Castaneda v. Ocwen Loan Servicing*, 2018 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 198852 (C.D. Cal., Nov. 21, 2018) (2015-2016 Survey Report, in Mortgage, Credit Rights, FCRA, FDCPA case, \$77,418 granted) (movant cited two pages of excerpted fee survey without explanation of how they supported request and cited rates from Arizona instead of the relevant Los Angeles community; court used hourly rates requested by one movant and reduced the other movant 10% after using awards by movant and its own knowledge of the local legal market) (\$550 at 27 years; \$450 @ 8 years).

*Carrion v Kirby Oldsmobile, Inc.*, 2018 WL 6137127 (D.D. Cal., Nov. 9, 2018) (objection to admission into evidence of *United States Consumer Law Attorney Fee Survey Report* overruled; attorney performing paralegal duties in case awarded paralegal hourly rate) (2015-2016 Survey Report, Vehicle Warranty case, \$32,786.25 granted) (\$475 @ 21 Years; \$450 @ 21 Years; \$350 @ 8 Years; \$150 @ 15 Years for attorney performing paralegal duties).

*Low-Iacovino v. Benefit Plan Committee of Nonbargained Program of AT&T Pension Benefit Plan*, 2018 WL 6985241 (C.D. Cal., July 2, 2018) (2015-2016 Survey Report, in ERISA case, \$33,630 granted) (Survey Report helpful but evidence of comparable rates in comparable ERISA cases desired and used by Court in fee decision).

*Townsend v. Yorkshire Acquisition Group*, 2018 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 142429, 2018 WL 4006956 (C.D. Cal., May 7, 2018) (2013-2014 Survey Report, in Credit Rights, FDCPA case, \$4,480 granted) (\$400 @ 3 Years; \$300 @ 1 Year).

*Wilson v Berryhill*, 2018 WL 6010320 (C.D. Cal., May 4, 2018) (2013-2014 Survey Report, in EAJA, Social Security case, \$4,341 granted).

*Benedict v. Fidelity Capital Holdings, Inc.*, 2016 WL 11518497 (C.C. Cal., June 9,

2016) (2013-2014 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$14,820 granted) (\$650 @ 25 Years).

*Vardanyan v. CMRE Fin. Servs.*, 2013 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 183486 (C.D. Cal., Feb. 11, 2013) (2010-2011 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$18,303 granted).

*Ramirez v. N. Am. Asset Servs., LLC*, 2012 U.S. District LEXIS 54641, 2012 WL 1228086 (C.D. Cal., Apr. 9, 2012) (2007 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$2,126 requested and granted).

*Krapf v. Nationwide Credit, Inc.*, 2010 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 116689, 2010 WL 4261444 (C.D. Cal., Oct. 21, 2010) (2007 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, hourly rates requested and approved, \$26,120 granted).

### **California, E.D.**

*Flory v. McCabe, Weisberg & Conway, LLC*, 2019 WL 2562632 (D. NJ, June 20, 2019) (2015-2016 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$3,762.50 granted) (\$350 @ 25 Years).

*Uhl v. Colvin*, 2016 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 78779, 2016 WL 3361800 (E.D. Cal., Jun. 15, 2016) (2013-2014 Survey Report, in EAJA Social Security case, \$10,363 granted).

*Davis v. Hollins Law*, 25 F.Supp.3d 1292, 2014 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 81024, 2014 WL 2619651 (E.D. Cal., Jun. 12, 2014) (2010-2011 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, data-supported hourly rates used, \$35,813 granted).

### **California, N.D.**

*Reenders v Premier Recovery Group*, 2019 WL 2583595 (N.D. Cal., May 7, 2019) (2015-2016 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$ 1,350 granted) (\$225 @ 2 Years).

*Slotnick v. I.C.Q. Search and Recovery*, 2018 WL 6258888 (C.D. Cal., Sept. 19, 2018) (2015-2016 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$31,455 granted) (“The Court finds that the Attorney Fee Survey is an adequate means of establishing average billing rates for consumer protections attorneys in this forum” citing *Ramirez v. N. Am. Asset Servs. LLC*) (\$400 @ 10 Years).

*Bratton v. FCA US LLC*, 2018 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 180975, 2018 WL 5279581 (N.D. Cal. Oct. 22, 2018) (“A number of courts, including courts in this District, have also found that the United States Consumer Law Attorney Fee Survey Report may be used as evidence of prevailing rates.”) (2015-2016 Survey Report, in vehicle warranty breach case, \$27,092 granted) (\$350 @ 16 Years; \$500 @ 15 Years; \$400 @ 15 Years; \$325 @ 11 Years; \$350 @ 5 Years; \$250 @ 4 Years).

*Forkum v. Co-Operative Adjustment Bureau, Inc.*, 2014 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 106912, 2014 WL 3827955 (N.D. Cal. Oakland Div., Aug. 4, 2014) (2010-2011 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$21,097 granted) (initial motion denied without prejudice at 2014 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 91148, 2014 WL 3101784).

*Senah, Inc. v. Xi'an Forstar S&T Co*, 2016 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 72293, 2016 WL 3092099 (N.D. Cal., Jun. 2, 2016) (2013-2014 Survey Report, in breach of contract case, \$145,692 granted).

*Klein v. Law Offices of D. Scott Carruthers*, 2015 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 75269, 2015 WL 3626946 (N.D. Cal., Jun. 10, 2015) (2013-2014 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$4,886 granted).

*Hampton v. Colvin*, 2015 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 53630, 2015 WL 1884313 (N.D. Cal., Apr. 23, 2015) (2010-2011 Survey Report, in EAJA Social Security case, \$3,741 granted).

*Brown v. Mandarin Law Group, LLP*, 2014 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 47020, 2014 WL 1340211 (N.D. Cal., Apr. 2, 2014) (2010-2011 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$7,485 granted).

*Castro v. Commercial Recovery Sys.*, 2014 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 33675 (N.D. Cal., Mar. 13, 2014) (2010-2011 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$2,520 granted).

*Stephenson v. Neutrogena Corporation*, 2012 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 105099, 2013 WL 12310811 (N.D. Cal., Aug. 22, 2013) (2010-2011 Survey Report, in Class Action case, \$433,333 granted).

*Chan v. Booska*, 2013 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 109005 (N.D. Cal., Jul. 15, 2013) (2010-2011 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$9,600 granted).

*Garcia v. Resurgent Capital Servs.*, 2012 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 123889, 2012 WL 3778852 (N.D. Cal., Aug. 30, 2012) (2010-2011 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$187,292 granted).

*Ramirez v. North American Asset Services, LLC*, 2012 U.S. District LEXIS 54641, 2012 WL 1228086 (C.D. Cal., Apr. 9, 2012) ([year not stated] Survey Report), in FDCPA, Credit Rights cases, \$2,521 granted).

## **California, S.D.**

*Norris v. Saul*, 2019 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 141318, 2019 WL 3935638 (S.D. Cal., August 20, 2019) (2015-2016 Survey Report, in EAJA case under 42 U.S.C. 406(b), \$10,000 granted).

*Jackson v. Berryhill*, 2019 WL 1470869 (S.D. Cal., Apr 3, 2019) (2015-2016 Survey Report, in EAJA, Social Security case, \$24,700 granted).

*Cash v Berryhill*, 2019 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 57694, 2019 WL 1469098 (S.D. Cal., Apr 3, 2019) (2015-2016 Survey Report, in EAJA, Social Security case, \$21,224 granted).

*Overton v. Berryhill*, 2018 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 209766, 2018 WL 6523442 (S.D. Cal., Dec. 11, 2018) (“While Plaintiff has provided no evidence to support the reasonableness of the requested paralegal rate, despite it being his burden to do so, the Court looks to the [2015-2016] United States Consumer Law Attorney Fee Survey Report (“Report”) to determine the market rate for paralegals,” adopting the reported \$100/hour San Diego paralegal median rate) (2015-2016 Survey Report, in EAJA, Social Security case, \$200 @ 41 Years, \$9,004 granted).

*Cole v. Mercantile Adjustment Bureau, LLC*, 2018 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 193511, 2018 WL 5920019 (S.D. Cal., Nov. 12, 2018) (2015-2016 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$375 @ 7 years; \$375 @ 11 years; \$150 @ 1 Years, \$4,290 granted).

*Ulugalu v. Berryhill*, 2018 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 72442, 2018 WL 2012330 (S.D. Cal., Apr 30, 2018) (In the absence of evidence from the movant, “the Court looks to [the 2015-2016 Survey Report], adopting the reported \$100/hour San Diego paralegal median rate) (2015-2016 Survey Report, in EAJA, Social Security case, \$6,136 granted).

*Arana v. Monterey Fin. Servs.*, 2016 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 46111, 2016 WL 1324269 (S.D. Cal., Apr. 4, 2016) (2013-2014 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$4,450 granted).

*Nguyen v. HOVG, LLC*, 2015 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 124019, 2015 WL 5476254 (S.D. Cal., Sept. 15, 2015) (2010-2011 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$41,350 granted).

*De La Torre v. Legal Recovery Law Office*, 2014 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 128220, 2014 WL 4547035 (S.D. Cal., Sept. 12, 2014) ([year not stated] Survey Report, in Cal. Anti-Slapp Law case, \$6,321 granted).

*Verdun v. I.C. Sys.*, 2014 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 52238, 2014 WL 1456295 (S.D. Cal., Apr. 14, 2014) (2010-2011 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$4,819 granted).

*Delalat v. Syndicated Office Sys.*, 2014 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 33756, 2014 WL 930162 (S.D. Cal., Jan. 28, 2014) (2010-2011, 2d Ed. Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$230,342 granted).

*Crawford v. Dynamic Recovery Servs.*, 2014 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 4057, 2014 WL 130458 (S.D. Cal., Jan. 10, 2014) (2010-2011 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights

case, \$3,496 granted).

*Breidenbach v. Experian*, 2013 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 82093, 2013 WL 2631368 (S.D. Cal., Jun. 11, 2013) (2010-2011 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$5,079 granted).

## Colorado

*Harper v. Stellar Recovery, Inc.*, 2015 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 154479, 2015 WL 7253239 (D. Colo., Nov. 16, 2015) (2013-2014 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$3,390 granted).

*Villanueva v. Account Discovery Systems, LLC*, 77 F.Supp.3d 1058, 2014 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 180001, 2015 WL 148965 (D. Colo., Dec. 12, 2014) (2010-2011 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$1,385 granted).

*Crapnell v. Dillon Cos.*, 2015 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 96184, 2015 WL 4484469 (D. Colo., Jul. 22, 2015) (2010-2011 Survey Report, in Sanctions case, \$2,100 granted).

*Gregg v. N.A.R., Inc.*, 2014 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 32017, 2014 WL 959412 (D. Colo., Mar. 12, 2014) (2010-2011 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$4,694 granted).

*Reichers v. Del. Asset Mgmt., LLC*, 2013 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 164981, 2013 WL 6096136 (D. Colo., Nov. 20, 2013) (rejecting Laffey Matrix, using Survey Report) ([Edition not stated] Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$2,085 granted).

*Rodriguez v. Luchey & Mitchell Recovery Solutions, LLC*, 2013 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 164285, 2013 WL 6068458 (D. Colo., Nov. 18, 2013) (2010-2011 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights, TCPA case, \$2,172 granted).

*Andalam v. Trizetto Group*, 2013 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 159656, 2013 WL 5952012 (D. Colo., Nov. 7, 2013) (2010-2011 Survey Report, in Discovery Sanction case, requested hourly rates supported by Survey Report, \$2,500 granted).

*Bock v. APIM, LLC*, 2013 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 176648 (D. Colo., Nov. 7, 2013) (2010-2011 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights, TCPA case, \$2,520 granted).

*Peterson-Hooks v. First Integral Recovery, LLC*, 2013 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 73907, 2013 WL 229544 (D. Colo., May 24, 2013) (2010-2011 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$4,837 granted).

*Scadden v. Weinberg, Stein & Associates, LLC*, 2013 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 57939, 2013 WL 1751294, at \*6 (D. Colo., Apr. 23, 2013) (rejecting Laffey Matrix, using Survey Report) (2007 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$2,862 granted).

*Shock v. Vandenberg, Chase & Assocs. LLC*, 2013 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 71751 (D. Colo., Mar. 18, 2013 ([year not stated] Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$3,579 granted).

*Lockmon v. Thomas F. Farrell, P.C.*, 2012 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 178661, 2012 WL 6590426, at \*3 (D. Colo., Dec. 18, 2012) ([Year not stated] Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$1,179 granted).

*Anderson v. Nat'l Credit Sys.*, 2010 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 134268 (D. Colo., Dec. 1, 2010) (2007 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$3,030 granted).

### **Florida, M.D.**

*Robinson, et al v. National Credit Systems, Inc.*, 2019 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 19953, 2019 WL 468580 (M.D. Fla., Fort Myers Div., Jan. 22, 2019) (\$425 @ 12 years, \$425 @ 9 years, \$100 Paralegal) (2015-2016 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$31,896 granted).

*Alvarado v. Featured Mediation, LLC*, 2017 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 88022, 2017 WL 2480606 (M.D. Fla., Jun. 8, 2017) (\$350 @ 12 Years; \$250 @ 6 Years; Paralegal, \$100) (2013-2014 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights, TCPA case, \$2,810 granted).

*Santarlas v. Steube*, 2017 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 383 (M.D. Fla., Tampa Div., Jan. 3, 2017) (2013-2014 Survey Report, in Driver Privacy Protection Act case, \$40,362 granted) (\$400 @ 23 Years; \$140, Paralegal).

*Lane v. Accredited Collection Agency, Inc.*, 2014 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 58502, 2014 WL 1685677 (M.D. Fla., Apr. 25, 2014) (2010-2011 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$3,725 granted).

*Seaman v. McGuigan*, 2013 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 29270, 2013 WL 806610 (M.D. Fla., Orlando Div., Feb. 11, 2013) (2010-2011 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$2,305 granted).

*Renninger v. Phillips & Cohen Associates, Ltd*, 2010 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 92736, 2010 WL 3259417 (M.D. Fla., Tampa Div., Aug. 18, 2010) (2007 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$2,379 granted).

### **Florida, S.D.**

*Sandin v. United Collection Bureau, Inc.*, 2009 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 71948, (S.D. Fla., Jul. 27, 2009), 2009 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 71945, 2009 WL 2500408 (S.D. Fla., Aug. 14, 2009) ([Year not stated] Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$3,746 granted).

**Georgia, M.D.**

*Hebert v. Wallet Recovery Ltd.*, 2014 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 57012, 2014 WL 1653490 (M.D. Ga., Apr. 24, 2014) ([Year not stated] Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$15,256 granted).

**Georgia, N.D.**

*Carter v. Debt Recovery Bureau, Inc.*, 2012 WL 13128943 (N.D. Ga., Atlanta Div., Sept. 28, 2012) (2010-2011 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$3,279 granted).

*Townsend v SRS and Associates*, 2011 WL 13319492 (N.D. Ga., June 7, 2011) (2008-2009 Survey Report in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$3,036 granted).

**Idaho**

*Lecoultre v. Takhar Collection Servs.*, 2013 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 96443, 2013 WL 3458072 (D. Idaho, Jul. 9, 2013) (2010-2011 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$2,060 granted).

**Illinois, N.D.**

*Rhone v. Med. Bus. Bureau, LLC*, 2018 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 188433 (N.D. E.D. Ill., Apr. 27, 2018) (Court used current Survey Report to reduce movants' requested rates, noting a lack of evidence to exceed average rates in Survey Report) (2015-2016 Survey Report, FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$315 @ 2 years; \$415 @ 25 years; \$352 @ 3 years; granted \$38,549).

*In re Sears, Roebuck & Co. Front-Loading Washer Prods. Liab. Litig.*, 2018 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 130505, 2018 WL 3707804 (N.D. E.D. Ill., August 3, 2018) (2015-2016 Survey Report, in MDL Warranty Class Action case, on remand Court sought out and applied current Survey Report to establish applicable hourly rates of \$500 top \$725 for appeal and fee motion in *In re Sears*, 867 F.3d 791, \$496,746 granted).

*In re Sears, Roebuck and Co. Front-loading Washer Products Liability Litigation*, 2016 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 124235, 2016 WL 4765679 (N.D. E.D. Ill., Sept. 13, 2016) (2013-2014 Survey Report, in MDL Warranty Class Action case, Court sought out and applied current Survey Report to establish hourly rates, \$4,770,834 granted) (reversed and remanded with instructions to award fees of \$2,700,000, *In re Sears*, 867 F.3d 791, 2017 U.S. App. LEXIS 15034, CCH Prod. Liab. Rep. P20,130, 2017 WL 3470400) (Aug. 14, 2017).

*Fricano v. LVNV Funding, LLC*, 2015 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 121654, 2015 WL 5331711 (N.D. E.D. Ill., Sept. 8, 2015) (2013-2014 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case,

\$21,910 granted).

*Reid v. Unilever United States, Inc.*, 2015 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 75383, 2015 WL 3653318 (N.D. E.D. Ill., Jun. 10, 2015) (2010-2011 Survey Report, in Warranty Class Action and Illinois Consumer Fraud Act case, \$1,503,285 granted).

*Decker v. Transworld Systems, Inc.*, 2009 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 78987, 2009 WL 2916819 (N.D. W.D. Ill., Sept. 1, 2009) (2007 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$1,625 granted).

*Vahidy v. Transorl Systems, Inc.*, 2009 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 78984, 2009 WL 2916825 (N.D. W.D. Ill., Sept. 1, 2009) (2007 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$1,625 granted).

### **Illinois, S.D.**

*Anderson v. Specified Credit Ass'n*, 2011 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 62410, 2011 WL 2414867 (S.D. Ill., Jun. 10, 2011) (2010-2011 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$2,617 granted).

### **Indiana, N.D.**

*Maloy v. Stucky*, 2018 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 211571, 2018 WL 6600082 (N.D., Ind., Fort Wayne Div., Dec. 14, 2018) (2010-2011 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights, Class Action case, \$25,000 granted) (\$318 @ 6 years; \$318 @ 7 years; \$263 @ 5 years; \$250 @ 1 year; \$250 @ 3 years).

*Bratton v. Thomas Law Firm PC*, 943 F. Supp. 2d 897, 2013 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 64080, 2013 WL 1891364 (N.D., Ind., Fort Wayne Div., May 3, 2013) (2010-2011 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$2,012 granted).

*Moore v. Midland Credit Managemet, Inc.*, 2012 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 176600, 2012 WL 6217597 (N.D. Ind., Dec. 12, 2012) (2010-2011 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$4,940 granted).

### **Louisiana, M.D.**

*Alonso v. Westcoast Corp.*, 2017 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 154866, 2017 WL 4176973 (M.D. LA, Sept. 21, 2017) ([Year not stated] Survey Report, in Prompt Payment Act case, \$130,517 granted) (\$340 @ 33 years; \$300 @ 13 years).

### **Maine**

*Traci H. v. Berryhill*, 2018 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 214988, 2018 WL 6716693 (Dist. Maine, Dec. 21, 2018) (finding requested paralegal rate not out of line with Survey

Report) (2015-2016 Survey Report, in Social Security case, \$6,730 granted) (\$198 @ 41 Years) (\$198 @ 4 Years). (request for paralegal rate of \$110, Court adopted paralegal rate of \$105 instead of Survey Report rate of \$110, with note by Court that Survey Report lacked detail on quantity of paralegal data per state) (Editor's Note: current Survey Report provides attorney and paralegal participant quantity data).

*Rosemary C. v. Nancy A. Berryhill*, 2018 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 213329, 2018 WL 6634348 (D. Maine, Dec. 19, 2018) (2015-2016 Survey Report, in Social Security Disability case, \$3,051 granted) (\$198 @ 41 Years; \$198 @ 3 Years) (request for two paralegal rates of \$100 and \$110, Court adopted paralegal rate of \$105 instead of Survey Report rate of \$110, with note by Court that Survey Report lacked detail on quantity of paralegal data per state) (Editor's Note: current Survey Report provides attorney and paralegal participant quantity).

*Buck S. v. Berryhill*, 2018 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 213330, 2018 WL 6634347 (D. Maine, Dec. 19, 2018) ) (2015-2016 Survey Report, in Social Security Disability case, \$4,299 granted) (\$198 @ 41 years; \$198 @ 4 Years) (request for paralegal rate of \$110, Court adopted paralegal rate of \$105 instead of Survey Report rate of \$110, with note by Court that Survey Report lacked detail on quantity of paralegal data per state) (Editor's Note: current Survey Report provides attorney and paralegal participant quantity data).

## **Michigan, E.D.**

*Croft v. L.C. Maxwell & Assocs.*, 2019 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 9592, 2019 WL 275933 (E.D. S.D. Mich., Jan. 22, 2019) (2015-2016 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$5,168 granted) (\$250 @ 26 years, \$250 @ 4 years; \$125 and \$100 paralegals).

*Green v. Nationwide Arbitration Servs., LLC*, 2017 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 216557, 2017 WL 7211136 (E.D. S.D. Mich., Dec. 22, 2017) (2015-2016 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights Contempt case, \$13,550 granted) (\$233 @ 1 Year; \$450 @ 24 years; \$100-125 paralegal).

*Burrows v. Joe Hunt; Rawlins & Rivera, Inc.*, 2012 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 16073, 2012 WL 424869 (E.D. N.D. Mich., Jan. 9, 2012) ([Year not stated] Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$5,003 granted).

## **Minnesota**

*Heroux v. Callidus Portfolio Mgmt.*, 2019 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 1041, 2019 WL 92728 (D.C. Minn., Jan. 3, 2019) (2015-2016 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$22,946 granted) (\$400 @ 23 years).

*Price v Midland Funding LLC, et al*, 2018 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 178175, 2018 WL 5259291 (D.C. Minn., Oct. 22, 2018) (2015-2016 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$6,080 granted) (\$400 @ 20 Years).

*Green v BMW of North American, LLC*, 2013 WL 9862198 (4th Jud. Dist. Hennepin Co., Minn., Nov. 20, 2013) (2007 Survey Report in vehicle warranty breach case, \$221,499 granted, reduced to \$110,332 on appeal, at 2014 WL 5800412).

### **Missouri, E.D.**

*Breeden v. Consumer Adjustment Co., Inc.*, 2019 WL 1518185 (E.D. Missouri, Apr 8, 2019) (2015-2016 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$9,120 granted) (\$300 @ 4 Years; \$100 Paralegal).

*Morgan v. Vogler Law Firm, P.C.*, 2018 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 203969, 2018 WL 6304869 (E.D. Dist. Missouri, Dec. 3, 2018) (“The Court nonetheless notes that counsel has fewer than five years’ experience in prosecuting actions like these, and counsel produced no affidavits with information regarding hourly rates commanded by St. Louis-area attorneys prosecuting FDCPA actions.”) (2015-2016 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$300 @ 6 years; \$300 @ 13 years, \$61,890 granted).

*Davis v. Fid. Info. Corp.*, 2018 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 199416, 2018 WL 6171438 (E.D. E.D. Missouri, Nov. 26, 2018) (movant requested fees with no supporting affidavit or evidence except for the 2015-2016 Survey Report resulting in court denied “in the absence of additional supporting documentation...” which was subsequently provided and the motion granted with no statement of hourly rate allowed. See *Davis v. Fid. Info. Corp.*, 2018 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 207761, E.D. E.D. Missouri, Dec. 10, 2018) (2015-2016 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$11,515 granted).

*Cohen v. RSH & Assocs., LLC*, 2014 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 18296, 2014 WL 562729 (E.D. Missouri, Southeastern Div., Feb. 13, 2014) ([Year not stated] Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$3,129 granted).

### **Missouri, W.D.**

*Stallsworth v. Mars Petcare US Inc.*, 2018 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 77283, 2018 WL 2125950 (W.D., Missouri, Central Div., May 8, 2018) (2013 Survey Report, in FCRA, Credit Rights case, \$32,900 granted) (\$450 @ 5 years).

*Stallsworth v. Staff Mgmt.*, 2018 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 77282, 2018 WL 2125952 (W.D., Missouri, Central Div., May 8, 2018) (2013 Survey Report, in FCRA, Credit Rights case, \$13,415 granted) (\$450 @ 5 years).

*Pineda v. P&B Capital Group, LLC*, 2011 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 145637, 2011 WL 6356866 (W.D. Missouri, Dec. 19, 2011) (2008-2009 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$2,932 granted).

### **Nebraska**

*Murray v. Collections Acquisitions, LLC*, 2012 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 92044, 2012 WL 2577211 (D. Neb, July 3, 2012) (2007 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$3,422 granted).

## **Nevada**

*Mandler v. Colvin*, 2016 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 16226, 2016 WL 526217 (D. Nev., Feb. 9, 2016) 2010-2011 Survey Report, in EAJA Social Security case, \$7,831 granted).

*Silver State Broad., LLC v. Beasley FM Acquisition*, 2015 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 34032, 2015 WL 1186461 (D. Nev. Mar. 16, 2015) (2010-2011 Survey Report, in Discovery Sanction case, \$9,885 granted).

*Feely v. Carrington Mortg. Services., LLC*, 2014 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 161626, 2014 WL 6388788 (D. Nev., Nov. 14, 2014) (2010-2011 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$9,972 granted).

*Schneider v. Social Security Administration*, 2014 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 119553, 2014 WL 4251590 (D. Nev., Aug. 27, 2014) (2010-2011 Survey Report, in EAJA Social Security case, \$4,146 granted).

## **New Jersey**

*Piccinetti v. Clayton*, 2018 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 183611, 2018 WL 5313919 (D. NJ, Oct. 26, 2018) (“While Defendants ask the Court to rely on the CLS fee schedule [Community Legal Services of Philadelphia], instead, the Court finds the CLA report [2015-2016 United States Consumer Law Attorney Fee Survey Report] to be a better benchmark.” (2015-2016 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$22,825 granted) (\$400 @ 8 Years; \$350 @ 5 years).

*Doyle v. Midland Credit Management, Inc.*, 2017 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 215290, 2017 WL 6944789 (D. NJ, Dec. 1, 2017) ([Year not stated] Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$11,594 granted) (\$361 @ 8 Years; \$467 @ 26 Years).

*Swiatek v. Bemis Co.*, 2015 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 11006, 2015 WL 420014 (D.C. N.J., Jan. 30, 2015) (2010-2011 Survey Report, in Disability Discrimination case, \$221,905 granted).

*Bukowski v. Kia Motors America, Inc.*, 2014 WL 5113759, (N.J. Super.L., Sept. 4, 2014) (noting that rejection of the [Year not stated] Survey Report and the Laffey Matrix by *Williams v. NCO Fin. Sys.*, 2011 U.S. District LEXIS 50635 (E.D. Pa. May 10, 2011) and that Pennsylvania federal court cases were not binding on it, the Court in this Lemon Law, Vehicle Litigation, Magnuson Moss Warranty case awarded the full hourly rates requested, \$22,278 granted).

*Whitt v. Receivables Performance Mgmt., LLC*, 2012 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 143120 (D. N.J., Jul. 18, 2012) (2011 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$2,835 granted).

*Perez v. Midland Funding LLC*, 2011 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 126404, 2011 WL 5156869 (D. N.J., Aug. 11, 2011) (2008-2009 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$9,559 granted).

### **North Carolina, E.D.**

*LaFountain, Jr v. Paul Benton Motors of North Carolina, LLC*, 2010 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 121631, 2010 WL 4457057 (E.D. N.C., Nov. 5, 2010) (2007 Survey Report, in Vehicle Litigation, Warranty, Udap case, \$3,340 granted).

### **Ohio**

*Bales v. Forest River, Inc.*, 2019-Ohio-4160, 2019 Ohio App. LEXIS 4234, 2019 WL 5079626 (C.A. 8th App Dist, Cuyahoga Co, Oct. 10, 2019 (2015-2016 Survey Report, in Vehicle Warranty, Udap, Commercial Code case, \$40,995.35 granted, (\$350 @ 40 years, \$275 @ 14 years, \$175 @ 3 years, \$125 paralegal).

*Davenport v A-Z Motors LLC*, (Unreported, Franklin Co CP, Final Judgment Entry, Jan. 30, 2019; Magistrate's Decision Jan 22, 2019) (2015-2016 Survey Report, in Vehicle Warranty, Udap, Fraud, Commercial Code case, \$6,970 granted) (\$425 @ 14 years).

*Fabish v. Harnak*, 2015-Ohio-4777, 2015 Ohio App. LEXIS 4671, 2015 WL 7357189 (C.A. 5<sup>th</sup> App Dist, Delaware Co, Nov. 19, 2015) (use of Survey Report upheld on appeal) ([Year not stated] Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$25,081 granted).

*Adam Beverly v. Student Loan Relief Organization LLC* (Unreported, Huron Co CP, Final Judgment Entry, May 12, 2015; see *National Collegiate Student Loan Trust 2003-1*, 2014-Ohio-4346, 2014 WL 4824355, Sept. 30, 2014, for related case) ([year not stated] Survey Report, in Student Loan case).

### **Ohio, N.D.**

*In re Sonic Corp. Customer Data Sec. Breach Litig.*, 2019 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 135573, 2019 WL 3773737 (N.D. Ohio, August 12, 2019) (2015-2016 Survey Report, in Security Breach Class Action, \$1,297,500 granted).

*Mohn v. Goll*, 2016 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 43866, 2016 WL 1258578 (N.D. E.D. Ohio, Mar. 31, 2016) (where the fee opponent proposed its use of the Ohio State Bar Ass'n fee survey, the Court negatively noted, at fn 6, the State Bar similar survey to be based on "a

very small number of the relevant lawyers” in the jurisdiction at issue) (2013-2014 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$19,427 granted).

*Ball v. Comm'r of Soc. Sec.*, 2013 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 129924 (N.D. E.D. Ohio, Aug. 12, 2013) (2011 Survey Report, in EAJA Social Security Disability Benefits case, \$4,765 granted); Mag. J. Decision Adopted, *Ball v. Comm'r of Soc. Sec.*, 2013 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 129922, 194 Soc. Sec. Rep. Service Sep. 11, 2013 WL 4874092.

*Coy v. Astrue*, 2013 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 50328, 2013 WL 1411137 (N.D. E.D., Ohio, Apr. 8, 2013 (movant cited 2010-2011 Survey Report and three other sources in support of request for upward departure from statutory hourly rate cap in social security disability case) (2010-2011 Survey Report, in EAJA Social Security case, \$4,828 granted).

*Jablonski v. Portfolio Recovery Assocs.*, 2012 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 59734, 2012 WL 1552462 (N.D. W.D., OH, April 30, 2012) (citing *Livingston v. Cavalry Portfolio Services, LLC*, 2009 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 113274, 2009 WL 4724268 (N.D. Ohio, Dec. 2, 2009)) (2007 and 2010-2011 Survey Reports, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$3,948 granted).

*Livingston v. Cavalry Portfolio Services, LLC*, 2009 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 113274, 2009 WL 4724268 (N.D. Ohio, Dec. 2, 2009), Mag. J. Decision Adopted (2007 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$2,951 granted).

*Livingston v. Cavalry Portfolio Servs., LLC*, 2009 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 113240, 2009 WL 4724268 (N.D. E.D., Sep. 8, 2009) (2007 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$2,951 granted).

## **Ohio, S.D.**

*Morse v. Specialized Loan Servicing, LLC*, 2018 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 60791, 2018 WL 549372 (D.C. S.D. E.D. Ohio, January 25, 2018) ( Ohio State Bar Association “Economics of Law Practice in Ohio in 2013” survey report not used for failing to account for experience level and geographical location data) (2015-2016 Survey Report not admitted into evidence due to failure to follow local rule but testimony allowed, in Vehicle Warranty case, \$27,754 granted).

*Flaherty v. Portfolio Recovery Associates, LLC* (Unreported, S.D. E.D. Ohio, Order, Oct. 30, 2017, Case No. 2:16-cv-00085) (2015-2016 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$375 @ 12 years; \$20,600 granted).

*Simpson v. Comm'r of Soc. Sec.*, 2014 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 10875, 2014 WL 794753 (S.D. E.D. Ohio, Jan. 29, 2014) (2010-2011 Survey Report, in EAJA, Social Security Disability case, \$7,392 granted).

*Wamsley v. Kemp Creditors Interchange Receivables Mgmt., LLC*, 2010 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 48454, 2010 WL 1610734 (S.D. E.D. Ohio, Apr. 20, 2010) ("Surveys conducted according to accepted principals are routinely admitted.") (using both the national Survey Report and the regional Survey Reports) ([Year not stated] Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$3,751 granted).

*Paris v. Regent Asset Mgmt Solutions, Inc.*, 2010 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 106183, 2010 WL 3910212 (S.D. W.D. Ohio, Oct. 5, 2010) (2007 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$4,053 granted).

## **Oregon**

*Kersten v. Quick Collect, Inc.*, 2015 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 58407, 2015 WL 1931137 (D. Ore., Apr. 27, 2015) (2010-2011 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$23,702 granted).

## **Pennsylvania**

*Blackhawk Pine Retail v. V.*, 2016 Pa. Dist. & Cnty. Dec. LEXIS 17408 (Pa. C.P., Allegheny Co, Civil Div., Jun. 22, 2016) (2013-2014 Survey Report, in Lease Guarantee Contract case, \$95,791 granted).

*Dibish v. Ameriprise Fin. Servs.*, 2015 Pa. Dist. & Cnty. Dec. LEXIS 432, \*17-18, 2016 WL 638776 (Pa. C.P., Allegheny Co, Civil Div., Mar. 23, 2015) ("The most objective document, and therefore what I considered most important in my analysis, was the "United States Consumer Law Attorney Fee Survey Report 2010-2011") (2010-2011 Survey Report, in Fraud, Unfair Trade Practices and Consumer Protection Law case, \$25,000 granted).

## **Pennsylvania, E.D.**

*Lindenbaum v. NCO Fin. Sys.*, 2011 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 78069, 2011 WL 2848748 (E.D. Pa., Jul. 18, 2011) ([Year not stated] Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$4,066 granted).

*Rivera v. NCO Fin. Sys., Inc.*, 2011 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 82419, (E.D. Pa., May 2, 2011) ([Year not stated] Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$4,933 granted).

## **Pennsylvania, W.D.**

*Murphy v. Ability Recover Servs., LLC*, 2019 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 133667, (W.D. Pa., Aug. 7, 2019) (applicant must show prevailing rates in the relevant community; state-wide and regional state survey rates are not the relevant community rates specific to metropolitan Erie, PA) (Editor's Note: current Survey Report edition includes Erie metro area among 157 greater metropolitan areas now covered by the survey).

*Bower v. NRA Grp., LLC*, 2019 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 121150, 2019 WL 3306515 (W.D. Pa., July 22, 2019) (2015-2016 Survey Report, in FDCPA case, \$2,971 granted) (\$300 @ 9 years; \$50 paralegal).

### **Pennsylvania, U.S. Court of Federal Claims**

*Twerdok v. Secretary of Health and Human Services*, 2016 U.S. Claims LEXIS 1853, 2016 WL 7048036, U.S. Court of Federal Claims, Office of Special Masters, Aug. 4, 2016 (Survey Report held helpful in determining Erie, PA, hourly rate for attorney fee award under National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program, the Vaccine Act, and comparing Erie and Hershey, PA, hourly rates) (2013-2014 Survey Report, in Vaccine Act case, \$14,505 granted).

### **South Carolina**

*Hutchison v. Lenders Portal Direct, LLC*, 2018 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 110639, 2018 WL 3241255 (D. S.C., Florence Div., Jul. 3, 2018) (2015-2016 Survey Report, in Udap and Fraud case, \$11,342 granted) (\$400 @ 24 Years; \$275 @ 30 Years).

*Green v. Momentum Motor Grp., LLC*, 2018 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 122, 2018 WL 259091 (D. So. Carolina, Rock Hill Div., Jan. 2, 2018) (Full amount of fees granted) (2015-2016 Survey Report, in case, \$7,400 granted) (\$400 @ [Years not stated]; \$275 @ [Years not stated]).

*Companion Life Ins Co v. McCreary, et al*, 2016 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 172433, 2016 WL 7115910 (D. So. Carolina, Columbia Div., Nov. 22, 2016) (Survey Report supported requested hourly rates in insurance policy proceeds dispute) (full amount of fees granted) (2013-2014 Survey Report, in Insurance Benefits case, \$6,492 granted).

### **Tennessee, E.D.**

*Pierson v. Gregory J. Barro, PLC*, 2012 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 67163, 2012 WL 1670549 (E.D. Tenn., Knoxville Div., May 14, 2012) “the mere fact that attorneys confer with one another does not automatically constitute duplication of efforts” (2007 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$2,056 granted).

### **Tennessee, M.D.**

*McCutcheon v. Finkelstein Kern Steinberg & Cunningham*, 2013 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 121460, 2013 WL 4521016 (M.D. Tenn., Nashville Div., Aug. 27, 2013) (2010-2011 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$8,57 granted).

### **Texas, S.D.**

*Szijarto v. Farias*, 2014 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 17406, 2014 WL 555122 (S.D. Tex.,

Feb. 12, 2014) (2010-2011 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$20,134 granted).

### **Texas, W.D.**

*Campos v. Tolteca Enterprises, Inc.*, 2015 WL 13802511 (W.D. Tex., San Antonio Div., Dec. 4, 2015) (2013-2014 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$6,907 granted).

### **U.S. Virgin Islands**

*United States Postal Serv. Fed. Credit Union v. Edwin*, 2018 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 31532, 2018 WL 1077291 (D. Virgin Islands, St. Croix Div., Feb. 27, 2018) (The Court in this fee-shifting mortgage case sought out and considered the Consumer Price Index Data, an article by Altman Weil, the *2015-2016 U.S. Consumer Law Attorney Fee Survey Report*, and a Florida Bar Survey and approved the requested hourly rates) (2015-2016 Survey Report, in Foreclosure, Mortgage case, \$6,558 granted) (\$325 @ 40 Years; \$250 @ 8 years).

### **Washington**

*Merino v. The State of Washington, et al*, 2014 WL 12679683 (Wash.Super., Aug. 22, 2014) (2010-2011 Survey Report, in Disability Benefits case, \$27,180 granted).

### **Washington, E.D.**

*Adsit v. Dundrum, LLC*, 2019 WL 1270937 (E.D. Wash., Mar. 29, 2019) (2015-2016 Survey Report [2017 update], in Class Action, Credit Rights case, \$30,234 granted) (\$375 @ 11 Years; \$125 paralegal).

### **Washington, W.D.**

*Rodriguez v. Nancy A. Smith & Assocs.*, 2012 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 151719, 2012 WL 5207545 (W.D. Wash., Oct. 22, 2012) (noting the Survey Report did not break rates down by state, the Court held the 2010-2011 Survey Report “provides some guidance but is not conclusive”) (2010-2011 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$2,434 granted) (Editor’s Note: current Survey Report edition contains geographic data for every state and 157 major U.S. metropolitan areas).

### **West Virginia, S.D.**

*Pearson v. Prichard's Excavating & Mobile Home Transp.*, 2014 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 16089, 2014 WL 534221 (S.D. W.Va., Huntington Div., Feb. 10, 2014) (2010-2011 Survey Report, in Sanctions for Defendant’s Dilatory Conduct case, \$5,225 granted).

*Koontz v. Wells Fargo N.A.*, 2013 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 45509, 2013 WL 1337260 (S.D. W. Va. Charleston Div., Mar. 29, 2013) (2010-2011 Survey Report, in WV Consumer Credit law and Mortgage law case, \$24,784 granted).

*Harmon v. Virtuoso Sourcing Group LLC*, 2012 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 129770, 2012 WL 4018504 (S.D. W. Va., Charleston Div., Sept. 12, 2012) (2010-2011 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$2,411 granted).

## **Wisconsin**

*Wilbrandt v. Chase Auto Fin. Corp.*, 2014 Wisc. App. LEXIS 150, 2014 WI App 38, 353 Wis. 2d 304, 844 N.W.2d 665, 2014 WL 700453 (C.A., Milwaukee Co., Feb. 25, 2014) (in affirming the trial court fee decision based on the 2008-2009 Survey Report, the Court of Appeals noted the hourly rate awarded by the trial court was in line with the 2010-2011 Survey Report which it described as “more relevant than the other two surveys,” i.e., the Laffey Matrix and the National Law Journal Billing Survey) (2010-2011 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$107,470 granted).

## **Wisconsin, E.D.**

*Spuhler v. State Collection Servs.*, 2019 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 85318, 2019 WL 2183803 (E.D. Wisc., May 21, 2019) (2015-2016 Survey Report, in FDCPA case, \$80,000 granted) (\$300 @ 12 Years; \$220 @ 8 Years; \$350 @ 25 Years),

*Strohbehn v. Weltman Weinberg & Reis Co. LPA*, 2018 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 71058, 2018 WL 1997989 (E.D. Wisc., Apr. 27, 2018) ( the Court noted that “Another helpful source for appropriate fee rates” is the 2015-2016 Survey Report) (2015-2016 Survey Report, in FCRA, FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$46,680 granted) (\$300 @ 12 Years; \$220 @ 6 Years).

*Heling v. Creditors Collection Serv.*, 2017 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 89693, 2017 WL 2539785 (E.D. Wisc., Jun. 12, 2017) (2013-2014 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$36,190 granted) (\$450 @ 23 Years; \$385 @ 16 Years; \$300 @ 14 Years; \$130, Paralegal).

*Andersen v. Riverwalk Holdings Ltd.*, 2015 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 162403, 2015 WL 7862923 (E.D. Wisc., Dec. 2, 2015) (2013-2014 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$350 hourly rate from Survey Report adopted and granted with movant directed to file accounting of attorney fee records).

*Crafton v. Law Firm of Jonathan B. Levine*, 2014 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 29690, 2014 WL 907423 (E.D. Wisc., Mar. 7, 2014) (2010-2011 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$15,000 granted).

*Beach v. LVNV Funding, LLC*, 2013 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 162926, 2013 WL 6048989

(E.D. Wisc., Nov. 15, 2013) (2010-2011 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$6,413 granted).

*House v. Shapiro & Price*, 2011 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 38322, 2011 WL 1219247 (E.D. Wisc., Mar. 30, 2011) (2008-2009 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$2,952 granted).

*Moreland v. Dorsey Thornton & Assocs., LLC*, No. 10-CV-867, 2011 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 54487, 2011 WL 1980282, \*3 (E.D. Wisc., May 20, 2011) (2008-2009 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$3,144 granted).

*Suleski v. Bryant Lafayette & Associates*, 2010 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 55353, 2010 WL 1904968 (E.D. Wisc., May 10, 2010) (2008-2009 Survey Report, in FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$2,342 granted).

### **Wisconsin, WD.**

*Broome v. Kohn Law Firm, S.C.*, 2019 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 64025, 2019 WL 1595864 (W.D. Wisc., Apr. 15, 2019) (2015-2016 Survey Report, in FDCPA case, \$22,333 granted) (\$450 @ 31 Years; \$225 @ 2 Years; \$475 @ 18 Years).

### **US Court of Federal Claims, Office of Special Masters**

*Twerdok v. Sec'y of HHS*, 2016 U.S. Claims LEXIS 1853, 2016 WL 7048036, U.S. Court of Federal Claims, Office of Special Masters, Aug. 4, 2016 (Survey Report held helpful in determining Erie, PA, hourly rate for attorney fee award under National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program, the Vaccine Act, and comparing Erie and Hershey, PA, hourly rates) (2013-2014 Survey Report, in Vaccine Act case, \$14,505 granted).

### **US Dept of Justice, Executive Office for Immigration Review, Administrative Law**

*John A. Breda V. Kindred Braintree Hospital, LLC*, 11 OCAHO 1225, 2014 OCAHO LEXIS 18, 2014 WL 4390663 (Aug 26, 2014, Chief Administrative Hearing Officer Ellen K. Thomas) ([year not disclosed] Survey Report, in Massachusetts discrimination case, \$2,312 granted).

### **US Dept of Labor, DOL Benefit Review Board, Administrative Law Judge**

*Jeanne Johnston V. Hayward Baker, Kemper Ins. Co., et al*, (Nov. 16, 2018, DOL Order Awarding Attorney Fees, Dist. Dir. Marco A. Adame II, 18th Comp. Dist.) ("M. Dupree's submission of affidavits along with the Consumer Law Attorney Fee Survey

appear to meet the requirements under *Christensen* and *Van Skike* as they require an examination of the broader legal community when determining the market rate. (Editor's Note: Mr. Dupree included the Consumer Law Attorney Survey with an explanation from the author explaining why the two areas of law are similar when determining attorney fees.") (2015-2016 Survey Report, Longshore Act and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act case, \$575 @ 39 years; \$425 @ 15 years, \$135,728 granted).

*Robert Macher v. Jack Gray Transport, Inc.*, 2018 DOLBRB LEXIS 322 (Oct. 30, 2018, DOL Ben. Rev. Bd., Appeals Judge Hall, Gilligan and Rolfe), ("...the affidavit of Timothy O. Malloy and the Untied States Consumer Law Attorney Fee Survey Report ... substantiate an hourly rate .....") (2015-2016 Survey Report, Longshore Act and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act case, \$350 @ 38 years, \$350 @ 13 years, \$9,450 granted).

*Jeanne Johnston V. Hayward Baker and Kemper Ins. Co., et al*, 2018 DOLBRB LEXIS 260 (Aug. 29, 2018, DOL Ben. Rev. Bd., Appeals Judge, Boggs, Buzzard and Gilligan), "The case is remanded for the administrative law judge to address the Burdge declaration and the 2015-2016 extract from the U.S. Consumer Law Attorney Fee Survey Report for the relevant community of San Diego." (2015-2016 Survey Report, in Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act case).

*Levan Robert M. V. Knight Hawk Coal LLC Dir.-OWCP* (DOL OALF Dec., Aug. 7, 2018) (2015-2016 Survey Report).

*Wilson Mary L. OBO Ronald D. Wilson v. The American Coal Company* (DOL OALJ Dec., Aug 7, 2018) (2015-2016 Survey Report).

*Phyllis Mathews V. Navy Exchange Service Command*, 2018 WL 1292722 (Feb. 15, 2018, DOL Ben. Rev. Bd., Chief Administrative Appeals Judge, Boggs and Rolfe). (2013-2014 Survey Report, in Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act case, \$17,617 granted).

*Brock Roy v Manalapan Mining Co. Dir.-OWCP* (DOL OALJ Dec., Dec. 6, 2017) (2015-2016 Survey Report).

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*In the Matter of the Arbitration Between [Claimant] V. [Respondent] (Automotive Dealers and Gasoline Service Stations)*, 2016 AAA Consumer LEXIS 207 , 2016 WL 5105956 (Jul. 29, 2016) (2013-2014 Survey Report, in Vehicle "Autofraud" case, \$36,827 granted).

## **Commonwealth of Virginia Orders**

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A listing of cases considering but *not* using the *U.S. Consumer Law Attorney Fee Survey Report* when deciding attorney fee disputes in fee disputes in cases include those on the following list. It should be noted that the depth and breadth of this Survey Report has evolved over time and prior editions of this Survey Report were substantially different from editions appearing after 2012 and thus any negative cases using prior reports are likely to be distinguishable.

## Arizona

*Harris v. Monarch Recovery Holdings*, 2014 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 38513, 2014 WL 1245107 (D. AZ, Mar. 23, 2014) (2010-2011 Survey Report lacking in specific survey data for Phoenix, AZ) (Editor's Note: current Survey Report contains specific survey data for this and 157 other major U.S. metropolitan areas).

## California

*Sanchez v. Saul*, 2019 WL 2642511 (E.D. Cal., June 27, 2019) (2013-2014 Survey Report, in EAJA case) (Survey Report statewide rate "fails to show these rates are in line with the prevailing market rate" in this District) (Editor's Note: current Survey Report contains specific survey data for 157 major U.S. metropolitan areas).

*Brown v. Jonathan Neil & Assocs.*, 2019 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 24455, 2019 WL 636842 (E.D. Cal., Feb. 13, 2019) (2015-2016 Survey Report, in Credit Rights case, \$25,867.50 granted) (court erroneously stated that the Survey Report "does not address the 'relevant legal community' here, which is the market within the Fresno Division" and apparently did not realize that the Survey Report actually did do so) (\$300 @ 6 years; \$225 @ 9 years).

*Castaneda v. Ocwen Loan Servicing*, 2018 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 198852 (C.D. Cal., Nov. 21, 2018) (2015-2016 Survey Report, in Mortgage, FCRA, FDCPA, Credit Rights case, \$77,418 granted) (movant cited two pages of excerpted fee survey without explanation of how they supported request and cited rates from Arizona instead of the relevant Los Angeles community; court used hourly rates requested by 4 movants and reduced one other movant 10% after using awards by movant and its own knowledge of the local legal market) (\$550 at 27 years; \$450 @ 8 years) (Editor's Note: providing the Court with an adequate explanation of relevant portions of Survey Report is responsibility of fee movant).

*Brooks v. Sun Cash of SD*, 2018 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 20310, 2018 WL 747795 (S.D. Cal., Feb. 7, 2018) (finding prior edition of Survey Report did not include specific survey data for the district) (Editor's Note: current Survey Report contains specific survey data for this and 157 major U.S. metropolitan areas; using current edition of Survey Report is responsibility of fee movant).

*Valentin v. Grant Mercantile Agency, Inc.*, 2017 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 212185, 2017 WL 6604410 (E.D. Cal., Dec. 26, 2017) (following *Fitzgerald v. Law Office of Curtis O. Barnes* and finding prior edition of Survey Report did not include specific survey data for the district) (Editor's Note: current Survey Report contains specific survey data for this and 157 major U.S. metropolitan areas).

*Munoz v. Cal. Bus. Bureau, Inc.*, 2017 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 109855, 2017 WL 3009210 (E.D. Cal., Jul. 14, 2017) (finding the 2013-2014 Survey Report did not include

specific FDCPA data) (Editor's Note: current Survey Report edition includes specific survey data for this and other niche areas in the field of Consumer Law).

*Forkum v. Co-Operative Adjustment Bureau, Inc.*, 2014 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 91148, 2014 WL 3101784 (N.D. Cal., Oakland Div., Jul. 3, 2014) (motion denied without prejudice and finding the Laffey Matrix and the 2010-2011 Survey Report insufficient in geographically specific fee data) (refiled motion, adding supporting affidavits and again using 2010-2011 Survey Report, was granted, at 2014 WL 3827955) (Editor's Note: current Survey Report contains specific survey data for this and 157 major U.S. metropolitan areas).

*Oyarzo v. Tuolumne Fire District*, 2014 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 60778, 2014 WL 1747236 (E.D. Cal., Apr. 30, 2014) ((2010-2011 Survey Report not specific to Fresno locality) (Editor's Note: current Survey Report contains specific survey data for this and 157 major U.S. metropolitan areas).

*Diaz v. Kubler Corp.*, 2014 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 199581, 2014 WL 12789109 (S.D. Cal., Mar. 26, 2014) (following *Branco v. Credit Collection Servs.*, finding the Survey Report insufficient in geographically specific fee data) (Editor's Note: current Survey Report contains specific survey data for 157 major U.S. metropolitan areas).

*Cuevas v. Check Resolution Servs.*, 2013 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 189893, 2013 WL 2190172 (E.D. Cal., Aug. 8, 2013) (noting "straightforward issues" in case and inadequate explanation by movant of any factors justifying deviation from the presumptive local hourly rates from prior cases and relying on *Branco v. Credit Collection Servs.*) (Editor's Note: current Survey Report contains specific survey data for this and 157 major U.S. metropolitan areas and specific survey data for this and other niche areas in the field of Consumer Law).

*Lovett v. Simm Assocs.*, 2013 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 92495, 2013 WL 3242953 (C.D. Cal., June 25, 2013) (Local Rule 55-3 Fee Schedule followed and 2010-2011 Survey Report not applied in FDCPA case) (Editor's Note: current Survey Report contains specific survey data for this and other niche areas in the field of Consumer Law).

*Broad. Music Inc. v. Antigua Cantina & Grill, LLC*, 2013 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 72122, 2013 WL 2244641 (May 21, 2013) (with no explanation of source of hourly rates found applicable, the Court noted "plaintiff has not presented any information on the hourly rate in the Sacramento region for a routine copyright infringement case", and no explanation of similarities of Copyright Law and Consumer Law, and citing *Branco*) (Editor's Note: current Survey Report contains specific survey data for this and 157 major U.S. metropolitan areas).

*Fitzgerald v. Law Office of Curtis O. Barnes*, 2013 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 53642, 2013 WL 1627740 (E.D. Cal., Apr. 15, 2013) (finding the Laffey Matrix and the 2010-2011 Survey Report insufficient in geographically specific fee data; in conflict with *Davis v.*

*Hollins Law*, 25 F.Supp.3d 1292, 2014 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 81024, 10-12 (E.D. Cal., Jun. 12, 2014)) (Editor's Note: current Survey Report contains specific survey data for this and 157 major U.S. metropolitan areas).

*Miranda v. Law Office of D. Scott Carruthers*, 2012 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 2866, 2012 WL 78236 (E.D. Cal., Jan. 9, 2012) (finding the 2010-2011 Survey Report insufficient in geographically specific fee data; in conflict with *Davis v. Hollins Law*, 25 F.Supp.3d 1292, 2014 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 81024, 10-12 (E.D. Cal., Jun. 10, 2014)) (Editor's Note: current Survey Report contains specific survey data for this and 157 major U.S. metropolitan areas).

*Durham v. Cont'l Cent. Credit*, 2011 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 148403, 2011 WL 6783193 (S.D. Cal., Dec. 27, 2011)) (finding the 2010-2011 Survey Report insufficient in geographically specific fee data; in conflict with *Davis v. Hollins Law*, 25 F.Supp.3d 1292, 2014 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 81024, 10-12 (E.D. Cal., Jun. 12, 2014)) (Editor's Note: current Survey Report contains specific survey data for this and 157 major U.S. metropolitan areas).

*Rubenstein v. National Recovery Agency, Inc.*, 2012 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 87941, 2012 WL 1425144 (C.D. Cal. Apr. 25, 2012) (finding the 2007 Survey Report unreliable, noting no statement of quantity of participants, expressing suspicion of bias by surveyor and survey participants) (Editor's Note: current Survey Report edition includes statements of participant quantity disclosure and survey's methodology's peer review and approval by National Association of Legal Fee Analysis).

*Branco v. Credit Collection Servs.*, 2011 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 138329, 2011 WL 6003877 (Dec. 1, 2011) (finding data in prior version of Survey Report not specific to District Court) (Editor's Note: current Survey Report contains specific survey data for this and 157 major U.S. metropolitan areas).

*C.B. v. Sonora Sch. Dist.*, 2011 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 112870, 2011 WL 4590775 (E.D. Cal., Sept. 30, 2011) (finding the prior Survey Report insufficient in geographically specific fee data; in conflict with *Davis v. Hollins Law*, 25 F.Supp.3d 1292, 2014 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 81024, 10-12 (E.D. Cal., Jun. 12, 2014)) (Editor's Note: current Survey Report contains specific survey data for this and 157 major U.S. metropolitan areas).

## Colorado

*Howard v. Midland Credit Mgmt.*, 2012 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 136209, 2012 WL 4359361 (D. Colo., Sept. 24, 2012) (finding the 2010-2011 Survey Report's average hourly rate by itself did not include the effect of degree of concentration or years in practice of fee applicant) (Editor's Note: current Survey Report edition contains specific years in practice data for every state and many major U.S. metropolitan areas, and specific concentration of practice data for ten large population states).

*White v. Cavalry Portfolio Servs., LLC*, 2012 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 35601, 2012 WL 899280 (D. Colo., Mar. 16, 2012) (finding the 2010-2011 Survey Report's average hourly rate by itself did not include the effect of degree of concentration or years in practice of fee applicant) (Editor's Note: current Survey Report edition contains specific years in practice data for every state and many major U.S. metropolitan areas, and specific concentration of practice data for ten large population states).

Florida, M.D.

*Rizzo-Alderson v. Tawfik*, 2019 WL 3324298 (M.D. Fla., Ocala Div., July 1, 2019) (finding Survey Report statewide table of hourly rates "not necessarily reflective of reasonable rates in the Ocala area.") (Editor's note: current Survey Report edition contains data for 157 U.S. metropolitan areas but not Ocala, Florida).

*Baez v. LTD Fin. Servs., L.P.*, 2019 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 86949, 2019 WL 2223773 (M.D. Fla., Orlando Div., May 23, 2019) (finding Survey Report "unhelpful" in reliance on *Alston v Summit Receivables*) (\$184,195 fees awarded in FDCPA, Credit Rights case; \$450 @ 19 Yr; \$450 @ 24 Yr; \$450 @ 27 Yr; \$250 @ [Yr not stated]; \$150, Paralegal).

*Baez v. LTD Fin. Servs., L.P.*, 2019 WL 2210687 (M.D. Fla., Orlando Div., Feb 26, 2019) (following *Raimondi v Zakheim & Lavarar, P.A.* (2012) and finding the finding Survey Report "not persuasive") (\$128,870 fees awarded in FDCPA, Credit Rights case) (\$400 @ 19 Yr; \$400 @ 24 Yr; \$400 @ 27 Yr; \$150 @ [Yr not stated]; \$150, Paralegal).

*Alston v. Summit Receivables*, 2018 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 118978, 2018 WL 3448595 (M.D. Fla., Orlando Div., Jun 27, 2018 (citing *Raimondi*, finding reference to Survey Report's "regional hourly rate" to be insufficient evidence of prevailing hourly rate in the relevant community, i.e., the District, in this "straight forward FDCPA and FCCPA case;" affidavits of counsel of record alone are insufficient; no local precedent for requested hourly rates; survey data based on voluntary reporting; also finding, however, that "the survey may be considered in determining a reasonable hourly rate") (Editor's Note: current Survey Report contains specific survey data for this and 157 major U.S. metropolitan areas, and includes specific survey data for this and other niche areas in the field of Consumer Law, and includes all reported Consumer Law fee decision data in United States during the survey period).

*Font v NCO Financial Systems, Inc.*, 2012 WL 13129967 (S.D., Fla., May 16, 2012) (2007 Survey Report use declined, noting, perceived issues, including report being 5 years old) (Editor's Note: current Survey Report includes sample size information and revised methodology and explanation).

*Penny v. Williams & Fudge, Inc.*, 2012 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 4567, 2012 WL 13102292 (M.D. Fla., Jan. 5, 2012) (2010-2011 Survey Report not specific as to local community, citing *Sheeley* and *Selby*) (Editor's Note: current Survey Report contains specific survey data for this and 157 major U.S. metropolitan areas).

*Schoonover v. Receivables Performance Mgmt.*, 2011 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 154825 (M.D. Fla., Tampa Div., Nov. 9, 2011) (citing *Selby*, finding 2007 Survey Report to be insufficient evidence of prevailing hourly rate in the relevant legal community, in this “routine, straightforward FDCPA action,” and adopting previously awarded hourly rates) (Editor’s Note: current Survey Report contains specific survey data for this and 157 major U.S. metropolitan areas, and includes specific survey data for this and other niche areas in the field of Consumer Law).

*Rubio v. FMS, Inc.*, 2011 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 154822 2011 WL 13298613 (M.D. Fla., Orlando Div., Apr. 26, 2011) (citing *Selby* and *Sheeley* and *Jennifer Morua v. United Recovery Systems, Inc.*, Case No. 6:10-cv-296-Orl-19-GJK (unreported), finding case to be a “routine, straightforward FDCPA action,” prior version of survey not specific to case locality, hourly rate evidence insufficient, and no precedent awarding the requested hourly rates) (Editor’s Note: current Survey Report contains specific survey data for this and 157 major U.S. metropolitan areas).

*Raimondi v. Zakheim & Lavarar, P.A.*, 2012 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 55590, 2012 WL 1382255 (M.D. Fla., Orlando Div., Apr. 5, 2012) (citing *Selby* and *Sheeley*, finding use of fifteen professionals to pursue case was not necessary in this “straightforward debt collection act suit,” prior version of survey not specific to case locality and hourly rate evidence insufficient) (Editor’s Note: current Survey Report contains specific survey data for this and 157 major U.S. metropolitan areas).

*Schoonover v. Receivables Performance Mgmt.*, 2011 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 154825 (M.D. Fla., Tampa Div., Nov. 9, 2011) (citing *Selby*, finding use of 2007 Survey Report insufficient to satisfy burden of demonstrating reasonableness or case locality of hourly rates requested, case to be a “routine, straightforward FDCPA action,” and lack of evidence of attorney experience) (Editor’s Note: current Survey Report contains specific survey data for this and 157 major U.S. metropolitan areas).

*Morua v. United Recovery Systems, Inc.*, 2011 WL 13323083 (M.D. Fla., Orlando Div., Apr. 27, 2011) (following *Sheeley v. Advanced Check Processing*) (Editor’s Note: current Survey Report contains specific data for this and 157 major U.S. metropolitan areas).

*Cook v. Law Offices of Forster & Garbus*, 2010 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 125604, 2010 WL 4941439 (M.D., Fla., Orlando Div., Nov. 3, 2010) (2007 Survey Report did not provide data on locality of hourly rates) (Editor’s Note: current Survey Report contains specific survey data for this and 157 major U.S. metropolitan areas).

*Sheeley v. Advanced Check Processing*, 2010 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 117760, 2010 WL 4569868 (M.D. Fla., Jacksonville Div., Sept. 13, 2010) (citing *Selby v. Christian Nicholas & Assocs.*, where same law firm appeared, finding prior version of Survey Report and mere reference to it is insufficient to satisfy burden of demonstrating reasonableness or case locality of hourly rates requested, noting no information

provided court on attorneys' experience or expertise, court adopted same rate awarded in *Selby*) (Editor's Note: current Survey Report contains specific survey data for this and 157 major U.S. metropolitan areas).

*Selby v. Christian Nicholas & Assocs.*, 2010 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 25053, 2010 WL 745748 (M.D. Fla., Jacksonville Div., Feb. 26, 2010) (finding prior version of Survey Report and mere reference to it is insufficient to satisfy burden of demonstrating reasonableness or case locality of hourly rates requested, noting counsel of record are from Chicago and Los Angeles and failed to provide any other information supporting requested rates) (Editor's Note: current Survey Report contains specific survey data for this and 157 major U.S. metropolitan areas).

## Indiana

*Watkins v. Trans Union LLC*, 2019 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 12968 (S.D. IN, Terre Haute Div., Jan. 28, 2019) (following *Grubbs* and *Lorik* "because it [the Survey Report] was not used 'in conjunction with other evidence'", granting \$10,533 in Discovery Dispute in Credit Rights, FCRA case) (\$ 250 @ 16 years).

*Grubbs v. Andrews & Cox*, 2016 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 93643, 2016 WL 3902591 (SD Ind., Jul. 18, 2016) ("the Fee Survey is not particularized by subject matter or the ability of the attorney; instead, it averages the rates charged by all attorneys in a particular geographic area.") (Editor's Note: current Survey Report edition contains specific years in practice and geographic data for every state and 157 U.S. metropolitan areas, and specific concentration of practice data for ten large population states).

*Lorik v. Accounts Recovery Bureau, Inc.*, 2014 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 39938, 2014 WL 1256013 (S.D. IN, Indianapolis Div., March 26, 2014) (following *Kaylor-Trent v. John C. Bonewicz, P.C.* and expressing doubt on usefulness and "overall reliability" of the 2010-2011 Survey Report) (Editor's Note: current Survey Report edition contains specific years in practice and geographic data for every state and 157 U.S. metropolitan areas, and statements of participant quantity disclosure and survey's methodology's peer review and approval by National Association of Legal Fee Analysis, and specific concentration of practice data for ten large population states).

## Illinois

*Cooke v. Jackson Nat'l Life Ins. Co.*, 2018 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 197908, 2018 WL 6067248 (N.D. E.D. Ill., Nov. 20, 2018) (in a breach of insurance contract case, where Laffey Matrix was previously disregarded and "plaintiff presents no evidence that 'consumer attorneys' garner hourly rates similar to those of insurance attorneys" 2015-2016 Survey Report and Laffey Matrix were afforded little weight to fee decision) (Editor's Note: when the case area of practice is outside of Consumer Law, movant should submit evidence of similarities in practice areas to establish hourly rate similarities) (reversed for other reasons at 919 F.3d 1024).

*Paz v. Portfolio Recovery Assocs., LLC*, 2018 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 191452, 2018 WL 4520221 (D.D. E.D. Ill. May 17, 2018) (following *Farooq* and *Stockman* and noting that time records included other unrelated work and stating “This court finds that Bowse has not provided adequate information to support the claimed hourly rate...” and instead used the hourly rate granted same movants in two similar FDCPA cases that were filed “within weeks of the instant case”) (Editor’s Note: movant submitted only its own affidavit and Survey Report with no other support; also, current Survey Report edition contains specific years in practice and geographic data for every state and 157 U.S. metropolitan areas, and specific concentration of practice data for ten large population states).

*Bowse v. Portfolio Recovery Assocs., LLC*, 2017 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 222163 (N.D. E.D. Ill., Nov. 22, 2017) (following *Farooq* and *Stockman* and stating “This court finds that Bowse has not provided adequate information to support the claimed hourly rate...” and instead used the hourly rate granted same movants in two similar FDCPA cases that were filed “within weeks of the instant case”) (Editor’s Note: movant submitted only its own affidavit and Survey Report with no other support; also, current Survey Report edition contains specific years in practice and geographic data for every state and 157 U.S. metropolitan areas, and specific concentration of practice data for ten large population states).

*Farooq v. Portfolio Recovery*, 2016 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 66180, 2016 WL 2909650 (N.D. Ill., May 19, 2016) (following *Stockman v. Global Credit & Collection Corp.*; noting the survey 2013-2014 results were “not particularized by subject matter or the ability of the attorney”) (Editor’s Note: current Survey Report edition contains specific years in practice and geographic data for every state and 157 U.S. metropolitan areas, and specific concentration of practice data for ten large population states).

*Stockman v. Global Credit & Collection Corp.*, 2015 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 111113, 2015 WL 4999851 (N.D., Ill., Eastern Div., Aug. 21, 2015) (noting differing opinions on use of Survey Report from District Court and stating the Survey Report was “not focused on lawyers who handle cases similar to this one”) (Editor’s Note: current Survey Report edition includes specific survey data for this and other niche areas in the field of Consumer Law).

*Kaylor-Trent v. John C. Bonewicz, P.C.*, 916 F. Supp. 2d 878, 2013 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 3506, 2013 WL 120573 (C.D. Ill., Springfield Div., January 9, 2013) (2010 Survey Report did not report data specific to District) (Editor’s Note: current Survey Report contains specific survey data for this and all U.S. states and 157 U.S. metropolitan areas).

*Ochoa v. Mistovich*, 2012 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 182419, 2012 WL 6720682 (N.D. E.D., Ill., Dec. 27, 2012) (2010-2011 Survey Report “paints with a very broad brush” and is not specific to Illinois) (Editor’s Note: current Survey Report contains specific survey data for this and all U.S. states and 157 U.S. metropolitan areas).

## Kansas

*Wilkinson v. Mann Bracken LLC*, Case No. 09-2430, D.C. Kansas, Jan. 21, 2010, (Unreported) (noting 2007 Survey Report aggregated data for the Midwest and was “too broad to be helpful in determining reasonable rates in the Kansas City area.”) (Editor’s Note: current Survey Report contains specific survey data for this and 157 U.S. metropolitan areas).

## Louisiana

*Martin v. Eaton Law Group Attys., LLC*, 2014 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 44778, 2014 WL 1330285 (M.D. LA, Mar. 3, 2014) (prior version of Survey Report did not “speak directly to the proper prevailing rates of this community”) (Editor’s Note: current Survey Report contains specific survey data for this and 157 U.S. metropolitan areas).

*Landry v. Caine & Weiner Co.*, 2013 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 123868, 2013 WL 4591445 (E.D. LA, August 9, 2013) (in a “simple” case where movant’s reference to 2010-2011 Survey Report, rates sought by Illinois, New York, and California attorneys in the locality of New Orleans was found excessive) (Editor’s Note: current Survey Report contains specific survey data for this and all U.S. states and 157 U.S. metropolitan areas).

## Maine

*Rosemary C. V. Nancy A. Berryhill*, 2018 U.S. District LEXIS 213329, 2018 WL 6634348 (D. Maine, December 19, 2019) (using 2015-2016 Survey Report, request for two paralegal rates of \$100 and \$110, Court adopted paralegal rate of \$105 instead of Survey Report rate of \$110, with note by Court that Survey Report lacked detail on quantity of paralegal data per state) (Editor’s Note: current Survey Report provides participant quantity data for both attorneys and paralegals).

## Michigan

*Firreno v. Radner Law Grp., PLLC*, 2017 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 136660, 2017 WL 3675613 (E.D. Mich., Aug. 25, 2017) (using the State Bar of Michigan Report as more applicable to the specific locality at issue) (Editor’s Note: current Survey Report contains specific survey data for this and 157 U.S. metropolitan areas).

## Minnesota

*Bell v. Am. Accounts & Advisers, Inc.*, 2018 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 223645, 2018 WL 6718573 (D. Minn., Nov 15, 2018) (simplicity of a case may alter hourly rate and average hourly rate linked with average years of experience) (Editor’s Note: total years in practice and lesser years in niche practice area may be different and yield different hourly rates).

*Mayo Foundation for Medical Education & Research, Mayo Clinic, Cerner Corporation, Cerner Corporation v. Dr. Peter L. Elkin, M.D.*, 540 Fed. Appx. 546, 2014 WL 12527218 (D. Minn., Mar. 19, 2014) (in a statutory trade secret claim case, consumer law survey “data ‘is of limited probative value’ because it relates to consumer law attorneys in the Midwest region”) (Editor’s Note: current Survey Report contains specific survey data for this and 157 U.S. metropolitan areas).

*Bankey v. Phillips & Burns, LLC*, 2008 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 46075, 2008 WL 2405773 (D. Minn., Jun. 11, 2008) (2007 Survey Report lacked detail on specific market data within the region or for FDCPA area of Consumer Law) (Editor’s Note: current Survey Report contains specific survey data for 157 U.S. metropolitan areas).

#### Missouri

*Maher v. Barton*, 2014 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 45232, 2014 WL 1316936 (E.D. E.D. MO, Apr. 2, 2014) (mentioning 2010-2011 Survey Report and deciding that prevailing market rates did not support the movant’s requested hourly rate) (Editor’s Note: current Survey Report contains specific survey data for 157 U.S. metropolitan areas).

#### Nebraska

*Schommer v. Accelerated Receivable Solutions*, 2011 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 86477, 2011 WL 3422775 (D. Neb., Aug. 4, 2011) (prior Survey Report’s 11 state analysis is too broad to establish rate in Nebraska) (Editor’s Note: current Survey Report contains specific survey data for 157 U.S. metropolitan areas).

#### New Jersey

*Beneli v. BCA Fin. Servs.*, 2018 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 19191, 2018 WL 734673 (D. N.J., Feb. 6, 2018) (class action case mentioning Survey Report but using “lodestar multiplier” calculation approach instead of hourly rate approach).

*Westberry v. Commonwealth Fin. Sys.*, 2013 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 14381, 2013 WL 435948 (D. N.J., Feb. 4, 2013) (using prior hourly rate decisions, citing *Bilazzo v. Portfolio Recovery Assocs., LLC*) (Editor’s Note: current Survey Report edition includes specific survey data for this and other niche areas in the field of Consumer Law).

*Castro v. McCarthy & Jennerich*, 2013 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 11989, 2013 WL 335973 (D. N.J., Jan. 10, 2013) (2007 Survey Report not indicative of practice related to FDCPA) (Editor’s Note: current Survey Report contains specific survey data for this and other niche areas in the field of Consumer Law).

*Bilazzo v. Portfolio Recovery Assocs., LLC*, 876 F. Supp. 2d 452, 2012 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 89094, 2012 WL 2464223 (D. N.J., Jun. 25, 2012) (2010 Survey Report not indicative of FDCPA practice) (Editor’s Note: current Survey Report edition includes

specific survey data for this and other niche areas in the field of Consumer Law)

*Conklin v. Pressler & Pressler LLP*, 2012 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 21609, 2012 WL 569384 (D. N.J., Feb. 21, 2012) (Court noted 2007 Survey Report and movant's lack of supporting affidavits on requested hourly rates, and adopted prior decisions on same law firm's rates in other cases) (Editor's Note: current Survey Report edition contains specific years in practice and geographic data for every state and 157 major U.S. metropolitan areas, and specific concentration of practice data for ten large population states and includes statements of participant quantity disclosure and survey's methodology's peer review and approval by National Association of Legal Fee Analysis).

*Freid v. Nat'l Action Fin. Servs.*, 2011 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 149668, 2011 WL 6934845 (D. N.J., Dec. 29, 2011) (finding the Laffey Matrix and the 2007 Survey Report insufficient in geographically specific fee data) (Editor's Note: current Survey Report contains specific survey data for 157 U.S. metropolitan areas).

*Cassagne v. Law Offices of Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co., LPA*, 2011 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 135207, 2011 WL 5878379 (D. N.J., Nov. 23, 2011) (finding the Laffey Matrix and the 2007 Survey Report insufficient in FDCPA specific fee data) (Editor's Note: current Survey Report edition includes all niche areas of Consumer Law practice, including FDCPA data, and geographic data for every state and 157 major U.S. metropolitan areas).

*Levy v. Global Credit & Collection Corp.*, 2011 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 124226, 2011 WL 5117855 (D. N.J., Oct. 27, 2011) (finding the Laffey Matrix and the 2007 Survey Report insufficient in geographically specific fee data) (Editor's Note: current Survey Report contains specific survey data for 157 U.S. metropolitan areas).

*Weed-Schertzer v. Nudelman*, 2011 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 108928, 2011 WL 4436553 (D. N.J., Sept. 23, 2011) (finding the Laffey Matrix insufficient in geographically specific fee data and the 2007 Survey Report data not specific as to area of practice within Consumer Law at issue in case) (Editor's Note: current Survey Report edition contains specific years in practice and geographic data for every state and 157 major U.S. metropolitan areas).

New York

*Barksdale v. Global Check and Credit Services, LLC*, 2010 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 78476, 2010 WL 3070089 (D.C. W.D., NY, Aug. 4, 2010) (Following its prior decision in *Hoover v. Western New York* involving same type of claims and fee motion by same out of state law firm, the Court repeated that courts should generally use the hourly rates employed in the district in which the reviewing court sits in calculating the presumptively reasonable fee) (Editor's Note: current Survey Report edition contains geographic data for every state and 157 major U.S. metropolitan areas).

*Hoover v. Western New York Capital*, 2010 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 59621, 2010 WL 2472500 (W.D. N.Y., Jun. 16, 2010) (Court rejected movant's use of California rates from Survey Report in this New York case, holding "courts should generally use the hourly rates employed in the district in which the reviewing court sits in calculating the presumptively reasonable fee.") (Editor's Note: current Survey Report edition contains geographic data for every state and 157 major U.S. metropolitan areas).

## Ohio

*Richard v. Caliber Home Loans, Inc.*, 2019 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 167922, 2019 WL 4751741 (S.D. E.D., Ohio, Sept. 30, 2019) (actual billing rates adopted instead of requested rates and 2015-2016 Survey Report and parties' supporting disputed evidence).

*Cortes v. Colvin*, 2014 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 127874, 2014 WL 4472613 (N.D. E.D., Ohio, Sept. 10, 2014) (no evidence hourly rate for consumer lawyers is comparable to social security disability lawyers).

*Benyo v. Colvin*, 188 Soc. Sec. Rep. Service 13, 2013 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 40179, 2013 WL 1195528 (N.D. Ohio, Mar. 22, 2013) (2010-2011 Survey Report held not helpful in Social Security case).

*Hawk v. Astrue*, 2013 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 3973, 186 Soc. Sec. Rep. Service 5, 2013 WL 139799 (N.D. E.D. Ohio, Jan. 10, 2013) (finding Survey Report not specific to Social Security law).

*Daniels v. Astrue*, 185 Soc. Sec. Rep. Service 518, 2013 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 1418, 2013 WL 66083 (N.D. Ohio, Jan. 4, 2013) (2010-2011 Survey Report held not helpful in Social Security case).

*Hakkarainen v. Comm'r of Soc. Sec.*, 2013 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 86964, 2013 WL 2950529 (N.D. E.D. Ohio, June 11, 2013) (citing *Keyes*, Survey Report not applicable in Social Security case).

*Hakkarainen v. Astrue*, 2012 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 188466, 2012 WL 8420139 (N.D. E.D. Ohio Jun. 27, 2012); adopting in part Maj. J. Decision at 2013 WL 2950529 (June 11, 2012) (2010-2011 Survey Report not used in Social Security case with statutory cap on fees no increase in hourly rate above cost of living increase allowed).

*Keyes v. Astrue*, 2012 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 88856, 179 Soc. Sec. Rep. Service 346, 2012 WL 2498892 (N.D. Ohio, June 27, 2012) (2010-2011 Survey Report held not helpful in Social Security case).

## Oregon

*Hooks ex rel. NLRB v. Int'l Longshore & Warehouse Union, Local 8*, 2015 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 28159, 2016 WL 1043133 (D. Ore., Mar. 9, 2015) (National Labor Relations Board case finding the Laffey Matrix and the 2010-2011 Survey Report insufficient in geographically specific fee data) (Editor's Note: current Survey Report contains specific survey data for 157 U.S. metropolitan areas).

*League of Wilderness Defenders/Blue Mts. Biodiversity Project v. United States Forest Serv.*, 2014 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 96335, 2014 WL 3546858 (D. OR, Jul. 15, 2014) (citing and following *Fitzgerald v. Law Office of Curtis O. Barnes*, 2013 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 53642, 2013 WL 1627740 (E.D. Cal., Apr. 15, 2013) (Editor's Note: current Survey Report contains specific survey data for 157 U.S. metropolitan areas).

*Behrens v. Smith & Greaves, LLP*, 2012 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 21888, 2012 WL 590845 (D. Ore., Feb. 22, 2012) (2008 Survey Report did not include years of experience or include specific area of law at issue in case) (Editor's Note: current Survey Report edition contains specific years in practice data for every state and 157 major U.S. metropolitan areas, and includes specific survey data for this and other niche areas in the field of Consumer Law).

*Daley v. A & S Collection Assocs.*, 2010 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 131572, 2010 WL 5137834 (D. Ore., Portland Div., Dec. 10, 2010) (2007 Survey Report data not geographically specific as to District) (Editor's Note: current Survey Report contains specific survey data for 157 U.S. metropolitan areas).

## Pennsylvania

*Navarro v. Monarch Recovery Mgmt.*, 2014 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 84095, 2014 WL 2805244 (E.D. Pa., Jun. 20, 2014) (finding the Laffey Matrix and the 2010-2011 Survey Report insufficient in geographically specific fee data) (Editor's Note: current Survey Report contains specific survey data for 157 U.S. metropolitan areas).

*Murphy v. Receivable Mgmt. Servs. Corp.*, 2013 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 65402, 2013 WL 1905149 (E.D. Pa., May 8, 2013 (prior Survey Report "not specific to Eastern District of Pennsylvania") (Editor's Note: current Survey Report contains specific survey data for 157 U.S. metropolitan areas).

*Zavodnick v. Gordon & Weisberg, P.C.*, 2012 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 78868, 2012 WL 2036493 (E.D. Pa., Jun. 6, 2012) (finding the Laffey Matrix and the 2007 Survey Report insufficient in geographically specific fee data) (Editor's Note: current Survey Report contains specific survey data for 157 U.S. metropolitan areas).

*Brass v. NCO Fin. Sys.*, 2011 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 98223, 2011 WL 3862145 (E.D. Pa, Jul. 22, 2011) (mentioning the Laffey Matrix and 2007 Survey Report but applying the local Community Legal Services fee schedule) (Editor's Note: current Survey Report contains specific survey data for 157 U.S. metropolitan areas).

*Alexander v. NCO Fin. Sys.*, 2011 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 64211, 2011 WL 2415156 (E.D. Pa., Jun. 16, 2011) (mentioning the 2007 Survey Report but applying the local Community Legal Services fee schedule) (Editor's Note: current Survey Report contains specific survey data for 157 U.S. metropolitan areas).

*Williams v. NCO Fin. Sys.*, 2011 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 50635, 2011 WL 1791099 (E.D. Pa., May 11, 2011) (finding the Laffey Matrix and the 2007 Survey Report insufficient in geographically specific fee data) (Editor's Note: current Survey Report contains specific survey data for 157 U.S. metropolitan areas).

#### Tennessee

*Lee v. Robinson, Reagan & Young, PLLC*, 2015 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 69096, \*22, 2015 WL 3442097 (M.D. Tenn., May 28, 2015) (2010-2011 Survey Report and Laffey Matrix when "submitted without guidance or specific argument by the plaintiff, are insufficient to justify higher hourly rates") (Editor's Note: the rule from this case seems to be that it is not enough to merely submit the Survey Report; some explanation should be made on how it applies and where in the survey there can be found support for the hourly rate requested by the movant).

*Edson v. Massa*, 2014 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 91440 (E.D., Tenn., April 14, 2014) (noting absence in Survey Report of quantity of survey respondents, lack of actual court fee award input) (Editor's Note: current Survey Report edition includes statements of participant quantity disclosure, actual court fee award data input, and the survey methodology and data analyses peer review and approval by the National Association of Legal Fee Analysis, which began in 2017).

#### Texas

*Ratliff v. Mesilla Valley Transp., Inc.*, 2019 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 141533, 2019 WL 3936991 (W.D., Texas, El Paso Div., August 20, 2019) (applicant must show prevailing rates in the relevant community and neither the applicant's "home" state rates nor the state-wide rates of the relevant community are the prevailing market rates in El Paso) (Editor's Note: current Survey Report edition includes El Paso among 137 greater metropolitan areas now covered by the survey).

#### Vermont

*Centrella v. Ritz-Craft Corp. of Pa., Inc.*, 2018 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 22308, 2018 WL 840041 (D.C. Vermont, Feb. 12, 2018) (Survey Report not properly submitted, questioning accuracy of state metropolitan hourly rate) (Editor's Note: upon review, data entry error by participant noted and Vermont section of Survey Report revised with updated Vermont data and reported in new Survey Report edition dated Mar. 13, 2018).

#### Federal Court of Claims

*Gonzalez v. Sec'y of HHS*, 2015 U.S. Claims LEXIS 1833, 2015 WL 10435023 (Fed. Cl., Nov. 10, 2015) (Survey Report not used in National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program case, citing *Mooney v. Sec'y of Health & Human Servs*) (Editor's Note: the rule from these two cases is that some explanation must be made on how the area of Consumer Law is similar to the area of law involved in a movant's case at hand.).

*Mooney v. Sec'y of Health & Human Servs*, 2014 U.S. Claims LEXIS 1526, 2014 WL 7715158 (Fed. Cl., Dec. 29, 2014) (National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program case; applicant "did not explain why 'consumer law' constitutes an apt comparison for fees purposes to Vaccine Act litigation." "Telling me why such comparisons are apt would be far more helpful than simply asserting that they are.") (Editor's Note: the rule from this case is that some explanation must be made on how the area of Consumer Law is similar to the area of law involved in a movant's case at hand.).

US Dept of Labor, DOL Benefit Review Board, Administrative Law Judge Judge

*Ralph Abell v. Island Creek Coal Co., et al*, 2018 WL 3007436 (May 21, 2018, DOL Ben Rev. Bd., Chief Administrative Appeals Judge, Gilligan and Rolfe) (Survey Report not helpful in absence of explanation of "how this is relevant in the area of black lung claims.") (Editor's Note: movant is responsible for providing Court with adequate explanation on how the area of Consumer Law is similar to the area of law involved in a movant's case at hand).

*David R. Maddox v. Lodestar Energy, Inc., et al*, 2018 WL 3007437 (May 16, 2018, DOL Ben Rev. Bd., Chief Administrative Appeals Judge, Gilligan and Rolfe) (aff'd 762 Fed. Appx. 269) (Survey Report not helpful in absence of explanation of "how this is relevant in the area of black lung claims.") (Editor's Note: movant is responsible for providing Court with adequate explanation on how the area of Consumer Law is similar to the area of law involved in a movant's case at hand).

*Terry Grimm v. Vortex Marine Construction, et al*, 2016 WL 7826580 (Dec. 28, 2016), (DOL Ben.Rev.Bd., Administrative Law Judge Wm. Dorsey, finding Los Angeles and San Francisco 2013-2014 Survey Report tables not relevant to San Diego market) (Editor's Note: current Survey Report provides tables for San Diego and 157 major metropolitan areas).

## 6. Cases on Use of Survey Data

Additional considerations in using fee surveys may be relevant to a court's consideration in a particular case, including the following concepts drawn from the illustrative cases below.

In determining whether a requested hourly rate is appropriate, a court may look not only to past awards within the district, but the other submissions offered in support of the award such as surveys and affidavits. See, *Waldo v. Consumers Energy Co.*, 726 F.3d 802, 2013 U.S. App. LEXIS 16555, at \*37, 2013 WL 4038747 at \*12 (6th Cir. Aug. 9, 2013); also see, *Sykes v. Anderson*, 419 Fed.Appx. 615, 618 (6th Cir. 2011) ("[t]he appropriate rate . . . is not necessarily the exact value sought by a particular firm, but is rather the market rate in the venue sufficient to encourage competent representation.").

While different attorney fee surveys may exist for the Court's consideration, the question may be which "fee survey better served the purpose of assessing the skills, experience and reputation of counsel" in a particular case. *Strohl Systems Group, Inc. v. Fallon*, 2007 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 90830, 2007 WL 4323008 (E.D. Pa., Dec. 11, 2007), *aff'd* 372 Fed.Appx. 230 (Mar. 30, 2010).

Moreover, a fee survey may be approved as probative evidence of the reasonableness of an hourly rate. *Taylor v. USF-Red Star Express, Inc.*, 2005 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 3599, 2005 WL 555371 (E.D.Pa., March 8, 2005), *aff'd* 212 Fed. Appx. 101 (2006).

However, the results of an attorney fee survey may be merely a starting point, a piece of evidence that still should be shown to apply in a particular case. See, *Ray v. Secretary of Dept. Of Health and Human Services*, 2006 WL 1006587 (Fed.Cl., March 30, 2006).

The cost of performing an individual fee survey and analysis may be recoverable.

It is a matter of first impression that a fee applicant would hire another attorney to conduct a survey on her behalf. We cannot forget that Luessenhop has the burden of proving that her Fee Application is based upon prevailing market rates and that she has the right to present evidence to support the rate she believes to be prevailing. Here, where we are required to weigh the presumptive prevailing market rate district wide, further pondering the geographical distance and economic disparities between the Plattsburgh and Albany communities and Schneider's relatively limited access to those attorneys who practice civil rights litigation in Albany, we acknowledge that Luessenhop was left with little option but to hire Mishler, an Albany attorney, to conduct a more comprehensive survey on her behalf. Luessenhop seeks \$787.50 for Mishler's endeavors, which appears to be modest. Considering the amount

of time this Court spent to conduct a similar survey, we do not find this amount to be unreasonable and will award it.

*Luessenhop v. Clinton County, N.Y.* 558 F.Supp.2d 247, 272 (N.D.N.Y., 2008).

Importantly, a fee survey is most useful when it surveys the general area of law at hand in an applicant's motion. Thus, the data from one type of survey may not be applicable to a different area of law without some explanation by the applicant of why the two areas of law are comparable. Nevertheless, more recent cases find guidance and value even if the survey is not of the specific area of law at hand before the Court.

*Mooney v. Sec'y of Health & Human Servs.*, 2014 U.S. Claims LEXIS 1526, 2014 WL 7715158, \*3 n.9, \*5 (Fed. Cl. Spec. Mstr. Dec. 29, 2014) (Referring to the Survey Report in a fee motion brought under the National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program but noting the absence of the proponent's explanation why Consumer Law is comparable to Vaccine Act litigation).

*Gonzalez v. Secy. of Health & Human Services*, 2015 WL 10435023, \*9 (Fed. Cl. Spec. Mstr. Nov. 10, 2015) (Referring to the Survey Report but not stating a reliance upon it in a fee motion brought under the National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program).

However, cases outside of Consumer Law have used the Survey Report, e.g., *Twerdok v Secretary of Health and Human Services*, 2016 WL 7048036 (U.S. Court of Federal Claims, Office of Special Masters, Aug. 4, 2016) (Vaccine Act litigation); and *John A. Breda V. Kindred Braintree Hospital, LLC*, 11 OCAHO 1225, 2014 OCAHO LEXIS 18, 2014 WL 4390663 (Aug. 26, 2014) (Employment Discrimination).

Also, survey evidence of the forum geographic area may not be applicable if the attorney's work is performed outside of the forum area.

*Gonzalez v. Secy. of Health & Human Services*, 2015 WL 10435023, \*9 (Fed. Cl. Spec. Mstr. Nov. 10, 2015) ("... the reasonable hourly rate should generally be based on the forum rate. *Avera v. Sec'y of Health & Human Servs.*, 515 F.3d 1343, 1349 (Fed. Cir. 2008); see also *Davis Cnty. Solid Waste Mgmt. & Energy Recovery Special Serv. Dist. v. U.S. E.P.A.*, 169 F.3d 755 (D.D.C. Feb. 26, 1999). However, an exception to the forum rule (often referred to as the *Davis County* exception) is applied in cases where the majority of the attorney's work is performed outside of the forum, and where there is a "very significant difference" in compensation between the forum rate and the local rate. Under such circumstances, when the forum rate is higher, the reasonable hourly rate for the attorney's fees award should be calculated utilizing the lower local rate. See *Avera*, 515 F.3d at 1349.").

## 7. About the Editor



Ronald L. Burdge is an attorney and the founder of Burdge Law Office Co L.A. in Dayton, Ohio. Mr. Burdge is in private practice in Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana and elsewhere by *pro hac* admission, and is a nationally known Consumer Law attorney. For over a decade, Mr. Burdge has testified as an expert witness on Consumer Law and Attorney Fee issues in numerous state and federal courts. He is a member of the Total Practice Management Association and numerous professional associations.

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He has served as Board Examiner for the National Board of Trial Advocacy and has extensive Consumer Law trial and appellate experience in individual and class action cases involving lenders, retail sales practices, defective products, and warranty litigation. Since 2004, he remains the only Consumer Law attorney in Ohio who has been named to Ohio Super Lawyer status by *Law & Politics* Magazine and Thomson Reuters, and whose practice is entirely devoted to Consumer Law work for consumers. Thomson Reuters is the world's leading source of intelligent information for businesses and professionals. In 2004, he was named Trial Lawyer of the Year by the National Association of Consumer Advocates and in 2010 he was elected to a six year term on the Board of the National Association of Consumer Advocates.

## 8. Recommendations for Future Survey Data

As always, we welcome your suggestions for improvements to the survey and this Survey Report as we continue to gather useful information in the future.

Please email your suggestions to [Ron@BurdgeLaw.com](mailto:Ron@BurdgeLaw.com) or you may mail them to Ronald L. Burdge, Esq., 8250 Washington Village Drive, Dayton, Ohio 45458.

Shortly after this report was published, the next survey data gathering time frame was opened for participation for the next edition of the *United States Consumer Law Attorney Fee Survey Report*. If you are an attorney who practices in the field of Consumer Law to any degree, your participation in the next survey would benefit the bar, practitioners and the Courts and would be greatly appreciated. You can do so by going to the website [AttorneyFeeStudy.com](http://AttorneyFeeStudy.com) and clicking on the “Click Here to Take the Survey Now” link.


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### Appendix 1. 2017-2018 Survey Questions

The following pages contain the survey questions and possible answers to each question.

## US Consumer Law and Bankruptcy Law Attorney Fee Survey (2017-2018)


## Consumer Law Survey Questions

\* 1. Below is a list of practice areas. Please select the practice area that represents the largest percentage of your practice time. 


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| <input type="radio"/> Consumer Law       | <input type="radio"/> General Practice                | <input type="radio"/> Workers Compensation |
| <input type="radio"/> Criminal Law       | <input type="radio"/> Medical Malpractice             | <input type="radio"/> Other                |
| <input type="radio"/> Domestic Relations | <input type="radio"/> Personal Injury                 |  |
| <input type="radio"/> Employment Law     | <input type="radio"/> Real Estate                     |  |

\* 2. What percentage of your practice time is devoted to Consumer Law, not including Bankruptcy Law? 

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\* 3. What specific areas of Consumer Law practice do you regularly handle? Check all that apply 


- ☐ Bankruptcy
- ☐ Class Action
- ☐ Credit Rights (FCRA, FDCPA, ECOA, TILA, Credit Discrimination, Credit Reporting, Debt Defense, etc)
- ☐ Mortgage (Foreclosure Defense, RESPA, HOLA, Real Estate, Housing Rights, etc)
- ☐ Vehicles (AutoFraud, Lemon Law, Warranty Law, UDAP, Repossession Law, etc)
- ☐ TCPA
- ☐ Other (please specify)

**\* 4. What is your attorney standard billable hourly rate? If your rate is different for different jurisdictions, then you will need to complete this survey for each jurisdiction where you practice with a different hourly rate. If you are unable to do so, you may email your additional responses to Ron@BurdgeLaw.com and they will be entered for you.** 


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| <input type="radio"/> 50       | <input type="radio"/> 400 | <input type="radio"/> 750          |
| <input type="radio"/> 75       | <input type="radio"/> 425 | <input type="radio"/> 775          |
| <input type="radio"/> 100      | <input type="radio"/> 450 | <input type="radio"/> 800          |
| <input type="radio"/> 125      | <input type="radio"/> 475 | <input type="radio"/> 825          |
| <input type="radio"/> 150      | <input type="radio"/> 500 | <input type="radio"/> 850          |
| <input type="radio"/> 175      | <input type="radio"/> 525 | <input type="radio"/> 875          |
| <input type="radio"/> 200      | <input type="radio"/> 550 | <input type="radio"/> 900          |
| <input type="radio"/> 225      | <input type="radio"/> 575 | <input type="radio"/> 925          |
| <input type="radio"/> 250      | <input type="radio"/> 600 | <input type="radio"/> 950          |
| <input type="radio"/> 275      | <input type="radio"/> 625 | <input type="radio"/> 975          |
| <input type="radio"/> 300      | <input type="radio"/> 650 | <input type="radio"/> 1000         |
| <input type="radio"/> 325      | <input type="radio"/> 675 | <input type="radio"/> 1025         |
| <input type="radio"/> 350      | <input type="radio"/> 700 | <input type="radio"/> 1050 or more |

**\* 5. How many attorneys are in your law firm?** 

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| <input type="radio"/> 1 | <input type="radio"/> 3 | <input type="radio"/> 5 or more |
| <input type="radio"/> 2 | <input type="radio"/> 4 |                                 |

**\* 6. How many full or part time paralegal or law clerk or legal assistants do you employ?** 


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|-------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|
| <input type="radio"/> 0 | <input type="radio"/> 2 | <input type="radio"/> 4         |
| <input type="radio"/> 1 | <input type="radio"/> 3 | <input type="radio"/> 5 or more |

\* 7. What is your average paralegal or law clerk or legal assistant standard billable hourly rate? 


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| <input type="radio"/> 0 or n/a | <input type="radio"/> 110 | <input type="radio"/> 200         |
| <input type="radio"/> 25       | <input type="radio"/> 125 | <input type="radio"/> 210         |
| <input type="radio"/> 50       | <input type="radio"/> 140 | <input type="radio"/> 225         |
| <input type="radio"/> 75       | <input type="radio"/> 150 | <input type="radio"/> 240         |
| <input type="radio"/> 90       | <input type="radio"/> 175 | <input type="radio"/> 250         |
| <input type="radio"/> 100      | <input type="radio"/> 190 | <input type="radio"/> 275 or more |

\* 8. How long ago did you change your billable hourly rate? 


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| <input type="radio"/> n/a                | <input type="radio"/> 1 1/2 years | <input type="radio"/> 3 1/2 years     |
| <input type="radio"/> less than 1/2 year | <input type="radio"/> 2 years     | <input type="radio"/> 4 years         |
| <input type="radio"/> 1/2 year           | <input type="radio"/> 2 1/2 years | <input type="radio"/> 4 1/2 years     |
| <input type="radio"/> 1 year             | <input type="radio"/> 3 years     | <input type="radio"/> 5 years or more |

**\* 9. In what jurisdiction do you practice law? If you practice in more than one jurisdiction and your hourly rate is the same in all jurisdictions, then you may check more than one box below. If your rate differs in different jurisdictions, then you should complete this survey for one jurisdiction and then submit a new survey response for each additional jurisdiction where you practice.** 


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|--------------------------------------|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Alabama     | <input type="checkbox"/> Maine          | <input type="checkbox"/> Oregon            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Alaska      | <input type="checkbox"/> Maryland       | <input type="checkbox"/> Pennsylvania      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Arizona     | <input type="checkbox"/> Massachusetts  | <input type="checkbox"/> Puerto Rico       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Arkansas    | <input type="checkbox"/> Michigan       | <input type="checkbox"/> Rhode Island      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> California  | <input type="checkbox"/> Minnesota      | <input type="checkbox"/> South Carolina    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Colorado    | <input type="checkbox"/> Mississippi    | <input type="checkbox"/> South Dakota      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Connecticut | <input type="checkbox"/> Missouri       | <input type="checkbox"/> Tennessee         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Delaware    | <input type="checkbox"/> Montana        | <input type="checkbox"/> Texas             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Florida     | <input type="checkbox"/> Nebraska       | <input type="checkbox"/> Utah              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Georgia     | <input type="checkbox"/> Nevada         | <input type="checkbox"/> Vermont           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hawaii      | <input type="checkbox"/> New Hampshire  | <input type="checkbox"/> Virginia          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Idaho       | <input type="checkbox"/> New Jersey     | <input type="checkbox"/> Virgin Islands US |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Illinois    | <input type="checkbox"/> New Mexico     | <input type="checkbox"/> Washington        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Indiana     | <input type="checkbox"/> New York       | <input type="checkbox"/> West Virginia     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Iowa        | <input type="checkbox"/> North Carolina | <input type="checkbox"/> Wisconsin         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Kansas      | <input type="checkbox"/> North Dakota   | <input type="checkbox"/> Wyoming           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Kentucky    | <input type="checkbox"/> Ohio           | <input type="checkbox"/> Washington DC     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Louisiana   | <input type="checkbox"/> Oklahoma       |  |

\* 10. How many years have you been practicing law? 

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| <input type="radio"/> 1  | <input type="radio"/> 16 | <input type="radio"/> 31         |
| <input type="radio"/> 2  | <input type="radio"/> 17 | <input type="radio"/> 32         |
| <input type="radio"/> 3  | <input type="radio"/> 18 | <input type="radio"/> 33         |
| <input type="radio"/> 4  | <input type="radio"/> 19 | <input type="radio"/> 34         |
| <input type="radio"/> 5  | <input type="radio"/> 20 | <input type="radio"/> 35         |
| <input type="radio"/> 6  | <input type="radio"/> 21 | <input type="radio"/> 36         |
| <input type="radio"/> 7  | <input type="radio"/> 22 | <input type="radio"/> 37         |
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| <input type="radio"/> 9  | <input type="radio"/> 24 | <input type="radio"/> 39         |
| <input type="radio"/> 10 | <input type="radio"/> 25 | <input type="radio"/> 40         |
| <input type="radio"/> 11 | <input type="radio"/> 26 | <input type="radio"/> 41         |
| <input type="radio"/> 12 | <input type="radio"/> 27 | <input type="radio"/> 42         |
| <input type="radio"/> 13 | <input type="radio"/> 28 | <input type="radio"/> 43         |
| <input type="radio"/> 14 | <input type="radio"/> 29 | <input type="radio"/> 44         |
| <input type="radio"/> 15 | <input type="radio"/> 30 | <input type="radio"/> 45 or more |

\* 11. In what geographical area of your state do you regularly practice? If more than one area, mark all that apply. For Hawaii, consider Hawai'i the Big Island to be South, Maui to be East, O'ahu to be North, and Kaua'i to be West. 

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| <input type="checkbox"/> North | <input type="checkbox"/> East | <input type="checkbox"/> Central |
| <input type="checkbox"/> South | <input type="checkbox"/> West |                                  |

\* 12. Do you regularly practice in a metropolitan area of more than 200,000 persons or less than 200,000 persons? 

- ☐ Both more and less
- ☐ More than 200,000
- ☐ Less than 200,000

## Appendix 2. Geographic Area Definitions Used in Prior Survey Reports

In prior versions of the United States Consumer Law Attorney Fee Survey Reports the data was compiled in twelve geographic regions, including several states identified as their own region. This approach was based on three factors: the long-established Altman-Weil<sup>6</sup> regional tables, the quantity of Consumer Law attorneys that were readily identified as practicing in each state, and the geographic proximity of any one state to a nearby overall region.

For readers who wish to attempt to make comparisons of data in the prior reports with the data provided in this 2017-2018 Survey Report, the following table lists the regional state content by state name.

The twelve regions for this survey are:

Atlantic:	DC, DE, NC, NJ, PA, VA, WV
California	
Florida	
Mid West:	IA, IL, IN, KS, MI, MN, MO, ND, NE, SD, WI
New York	
North East:	CT, MA, MD, ME, NH, RI, VT
Ohio	
Pacific:	AK, HI, OR, WA
South:	AL, AR, GA, KY, LA, MS, OK, SC, TN
Texas	
US Territories:	Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa, U.S. Virgin Islands
West:	AZ, CO, ID, MT, NM, NV, UT, WY

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Appendix 3. Statement of Peer Review by The National Association of Legal Fee Analysis

The following page contains the NALFA statement of its peer review opinions of the United States Consumer Law Attorney Fee Survey Report. NALFA's Executive Director's review of this survey's methodology and data analyses began in 2017.



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We have reviewed the follow data and methodology prior to publication. We at NALFA support this hourly rate survey and the methodology contained within. This survey was conducted with the utmost professionalism, with statistical integrity and reliability, and with detailed hourly rate data and survey information. Indeed, this survey is the most comprehensive hourly rate survey for consumer lawyers in the U.S.

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